RETURNS OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1860.

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FROM THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

To T PYCROFT, Esq, *Chief Secretary to Government,*

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

We have the honor to forward herewith for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council, the Report of the business of this Court for the year ending 31st December last

2 Table No 1 is a digest of the year's work, and shows that the number of cases instituted was 19,778, representing property, the subject of litigation, to the value of Rupees 5,02,417-6-9, thus exhibiting an increase of 1,404 cases, and of Rupees 74,137-8-5 on the value of property litigated for in 1859

3 In fees we have also to observe a corresponding increase, the receipts being Rupees 8,694-6 3 in excess of those in 1859.

4 The net amount credited to Government on this account is Rupees 63,294-8-3, while the expense of the Court has been Rupees 63,700 7-11

*Rupees 75,294

5 This expenditure shows a saving of Rupees 11,593-8 1 on the sum* annually allotted by Government for the permanent Establishment of the Court

6 We would beg, in conclusion, to direct the attention of His Excellency to Table No 14, which presents the comparative working of the Court since its establishment in 1850

We have, &c,

(Signed) MAURICE CROSS,

(,,) C RUNGANADA SASTRY;

Judges

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

5th February 1861

No.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

Months.	1			2	3	4
	Number of Suits instituted.					
	English.	Native	Total	The English cases bear to the Native cases, the ratio of	Number of Summonses issued.	Number of second and further Summonses issued
1860.						
January	235	1,258	1,493	1 to 5 353	3,407	677
February	280	1,352	1,632	1 to 4 828	3,670	504
March	289	1,340	1,629	1 to 4 636	3,677	666
April	262	1,015	1,277	1 to 3·874	2,930	399
May	250	1,693	1,943	1 to 6·772	4,335	620
June	205	1,426	1,631	1 to 6·960	3,755	575
July	354	1,316	1,670	1 to 3·717	3,805	693
August...	370	1,397	1,767	1 to 3 775	3,988	789
September	181	1,458	1,639	1 to 8 055	3,528	611
October	126	1,782	1,908	1 to 14 142	4,233	756
November	280	1,486	1,766	1 to 5·307	3,899	869
December	248	1,175	1,423	1 to 4·737	3,040	599
Total... ..	3,080	16,698	19,778	1 to 5 421	44,267	7,758

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of the tenth year of its institution, namely from January to December 1860.

5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			15	16
									Appearances of parties to suits.				
Number of Subpœnas issued.	Number of Attachments issued.	Number of Warrants issued.	Number of Judge's Warrants issued.	Number of copies of Judgments issued.	Number of Commitments issued.	Number of Releases issued.	Number of cases referred to Arbitration.	Number of Warrants to sue and defend filed.	By Attorneys and Barristers.	By Vakeels	In person.	Number of days in which the Court was opened.	Average number of Suits instituted daily.
2,858	...	560	2	18	...	5	6	239	29	210	1,254	22	67·863
2,744	...	507	4	14	...	17	2	263	21	242	1,369	23	70·956
2,745	..	565	4	11	3	24	2	102	19	83	1,527	25	65·16
1,943	...	422	2	4	...	17	4	271	20	251	1,006	18	70·94
2,661	...	598	2	11	...	13	13	279	19	260	1,664	25	77·72
2,264	...	554	4	17	...	12	4	206	21	185	1,425	24	67 958
2,955	...	527	2	8	...	10	4	373	36	337	1,297	23	72·608
2,882	...	610	11	8	...	13	14	395	22	3731	1,372	26	67·961
2,889	...	574	3	11	...	12	4	284	40	244	1,355	23	71·260
3,047	...	628	4	10	1	19	4	379	33	346	1,529	26	73·384
2,966	...	597	3	9	...	16	7	463	44	419	1,303	25	70·64
2,277	...	496	6	11	...	9	7	343	52	291	1,080	18	79·058
32,231	...	6,638	47	132	4	167	71	3,597	356	3,271	16,181	278	71·143

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

Months.	17 Amount litigated in the Suits instituted.			Graduated digest of Costs received on institution of Suits, Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees.		
1860.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	33,895	12	11	634	10	0	629	8	0	.,178	8	0
February	40,264	12	4	735	8	0	635	8	0	1,167	8	0
March	46,888	13	6	737	14	0	658	0	0	1,075	6	0
April	34,725	7	10	510	12	0	505	12	0	1,103	4	0
May...	38,573	4	6	909	2	0	760	6	0	1,311	14	0
June	41,720	1	3	670	4	0	685	10	0	1,212	10	0
July...	43,895	9	0	708	12	0	666	6	0	1,290	2	0
August...	48,861	3	2	726	10	0	692	4	0	1,475	14	0
September	44,615	14	7	700	13	0	702	14	0	1,167	7	0
October	47,105	6	10	871	14	0	703	4	0	1,358	12	0
November	42,534	4	11	805	8	0	673	12	0	1,231	12	0
December	39,336	11	11	636	4	0	532	8	0	1,086	0	0
Total	5,02,417	6	9	8,647	15	0	7,845	12	0	14,659	1	0

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but of which portions have been returned to Suitors who may have compromised their cases before hearing.

Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Total.		
RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
848	2	0	806	2	0	467	8	0	104	8	0	384	8	0	5,053	6	0
952	10	0	575	14	0	699	12	0	502	12	0	192	4	0	5,461	12	0
996	14	0	1,000	6	0	517	12	0	383	12	0	328	14	0	5,698	14	0
957	10	0	935	2	0	483	8	0	290	14	0	423	0	0	5,209	14	0
925	2	0	865	12	0	353	0	0	247	4	0	475	6	0	5,847	14	0
1,020	10	0	742	14	0	715	6	0	648	4	0	250	8	0	5,946	2	0
1,137	14	0	1,183	2	0	584	12	0	546	8	0	265	2	0	6,382	10	0
1,232	6	0	1,219	6	0	896	0	0	383	8	0	668	2	0	7,294	2	0
1,262	0	0	1,097	14	0	865	11	0	614	6	0	381	10	0	6,792	11	0
1,329	2	0	1,313	6	0	559	8	0	485	12	0	444	8	0	7,066	2	0
1,095	2	0	1,140	8	0	622	2	0	430	8	0	311	4	0	6,310	8	0
978	2	0	1,098	14	0	696	14	0	339	14	0	360	8	0	5,729	0	0
12,735	10	0	11,979	4	0	7,461	13	0	4,977	14	0	4,485	10	0	72,792	15	0

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

Months.	19					
	Graduated digest of cases instituted					
	Not above Co.'s Rs. 10.	Above Rs. 10, not above Rs. 20.	Above Rs. 20, not above Rs. 50	Above Rs. 50, not above Rs. 100.	Above Rs. 100, not above Rs. 200.	Above Rs. 200, not above Rs. 300
1860.						
January	840	281	236	73	41	14
February	953	279	242	92	32	21
March	939	294	230	87	51	15
April	654	229	228	91	47	15
May...	1,164	351	270	88	46	11
June	907	304	247	98	38	20
July...	909	298	265	103	61	19
August	941	294	309	114	62	27
September	864	318	240	113	58	27
October	1,089	317	284	120	65	16
November	1,022	299	252	102	58	19
December	785	235	223	90	57	20
Total.. ...	11,067	3,499	3,026	1,171	616	224

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during the year.			Disposal of suits set down for hearing during the months opposite to which the numbers stand.						
Above Rs. 300, not above Rs. 400.	Above Rs. 400, not above Rs. 500.	Total.	Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suited	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.
2	6	1,493	679	59	55	22	713	...	1,528
10	3	1,632	693	61	32	34	775	...	1,595
8	5	1,629	732	57	36	15	753	...	1,593
6	7	1,277	560	55	25	5	606	...	1,251
5	8	1,943	862	65	43	12	922	...	1,904
13	4	1,631	754	78	26	6	751	...	1,615
11	4	1,670	812	67	47	17	702	...	1,645
8	12	1,767	859	67	21	7	784	...	1,738
13	6	1,639	783	73	25	9	685	...	1,575
10	7	1,908	917	89	15	5	850	...	1,876
9	5	1,766	830	92	15	10	774	...	1,721
7	6	1,423	648	67	23	16	477	132	1,363
102	73	19,778	9,129	830	363	158	8,792	132	19,404

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

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Amount carried to credit of Government on account of fees

Months	Fees on institution of Summonses.			Second and further Summonses, fees.			Subpœna fees.			Warrants, Notices and Interpleader Summonses' fees		
1860.	RS.	A	P	RS	A.	P.	RS.	A	P	RS	A	P.
January	4,684	10	0	79	4	0	289	8	0	249	11	0
February	5,110	4	0	95	0	0	256	8	0	212	2	0
March	5,301	0	0	103	2	0	294	12	0	370	14	9
April	4,920	2	0	84	0	0	205	12	0	185	11	0
May	5,172	12	0	95	12	0	279	6	0	277	14	0
June	5,583	2	0	112	0	0	251	0	0	253	13	0
July	5,936	4	0	107	2	0	339	4	0	233	12	0
August	6 839	14	0	117	6	0	336	14	0	322	1	0
September	6,331	13	0	119	2	0	341	12	0	287	14	6
October	6,515	4	0	156	14	0	364	0	0	341	12	0
November	5,857	8	0	138	4	0	314	12	0	474	8	6
December	5,373	1	0	99	14	0	255	14	0	226	2	6
Total	67,955	13	0	1,307	12	0	3,529	6	0	3,436	3	9

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deposited during the months opposite to which the amount stand.

Fees realized in pauper suits.			Total gross amount.			Amount of half-costs			Net amount carried to credit of Government.			Amount repaid to Suitors on account of compromised cases.		
RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.
...	...	...	5,303	4	0	996	5	0	4,306	15	0	996	5	0
21	0	0	5,697	14	0	1,162	7	0	4,535	7	0	1,162	7	0
...	...	...	6,069	9	9	1,082	3	0	4,987	6	9	1,082	3	0
...	...	..	5,395	9	0	727	9	0	4,668	0	0	727	9	0
...	..	.	6,125	12	0	1,206	3	0	4,919	9	0	1,206	3	0
...	.	..	6,199	15	0	1,090	1	0	5,109	14	0	1,090	1	0
...	...	..	6,616	6	0	1,266	7	0	5,349	15	0	1,266	7	0
1	6	0	7,617	9	0	1,107	3	0	6,510	6	0	1,107	3	0
...	...	..	7,080	9	0	1,005	10	0	6,074	15	0	1,005	10	0
3	14	0	7,411	12	0	1,403	9	0	6,008	3	0	1,403	9	0
..	...	.	6,785	0	6	1,263	15	6	5,521	1	0	1,263	15	6
42	4	0	5,997	6	6	774	10	0	5,222	12	6	774	10	0
71	8	0	76,300	10	9	13,086	2	6	63,214	8	3	13,086	2	6

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes, &c.—(Concluded)

Months	23			24			25			26		
	Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be paupers.			Amount paid into Court by Suitors on account of cases decreed			Amount paid out of Court to Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount of fines levied		
1860.	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P
January	.....	...	...	6,922	7	10	6,945	1	6	...	..	...
February	.....	...	...	5,803	13	6	6,228	0	3	50	0	0
March	.....	..	...	7,870	9	3	7,259	3	7	30	0	0
April	.....	..	...	5,081	8	3	5,397	6	3	...	...	...
May...	.....	...	...	6,489	12	6	6,153	11	7	...	...	...
June	.....	...	...	7,804	15	0	7,565	5	9	...	..	..
July	.....	...	...	9,689	5	6	8,712	8	0	...	..	.
August...	.....	..	...	8,983	15	6	7,995	14	4	...	...	...
September	.....	...	...	7,965	9	5	8,475	8	3	...	...	.
October	.....	...	...	9,558	9	7	8,594	4	8	...	...	..
November	.....	...	...	7,703	10	7	8,588	0	1	...	.	...
December	.....	...	...	7,796	11	3	7,372	12	10	...	..	...
Total	.....	...	...	91,671	0	2	89,287	13	1	80	0	0

MEMORANDUM.

During the year, commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1860, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays ..... 53 days.
New Year's day, Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension day, Her Majesty's Birth-day, and Christmas days..... 6 ,,
Hindoo and other Holidays scattered throughout the year..... 29 ,,

Total..... 88 ,,

The Court sat ..... 278 ,,

Total..... 366 days.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1861.

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

Comparative table of Causes heard and decided, from January to December 1859, *and from January to December* 1860.

	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1859	1860	1859	1860	1859	1860	1859	1860	1859	1860	1859	1860	1859	186	1859	1860	1859	1860	1859	1860	1859	1860	1859	1860	1859	1860
Judgment for Plaintiffs...	674	679	666	693	713	732	602	560	619	862	809	754	685	812	793	859	783	783	794	917	870	830	575	648	8,583	9,129
Judgment for Defendants	57	59	61	61	41	57	31	55	50	65	59	78	46	67	70	67	60	73	74	89	93	92	59	67	701	830
Non-suited and struck off	52	77	61	66	40	51	40	30	64	55	63	32	49	64	56	28	48	34	56	20	60	25	34	39	623	521
Compromised.....	653	713	608	775	692	753	601	606	662	922	722	751	745	702	661	784	773	685	684	850	713	774	539	477	8,056	8,792
Undecided	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	..	...	89	132	89	132
Total.....	1,436	1,528	1,396	1.595	1,486	1,593	1,274	1,251	1,395	1,904	1,653	1,615	1,528	1,645	1,580	1,738	1,664	1,575	1,608	1,876	1,736	1,721	1,296	1,363	18,052	19,404

MEMORANDUM.

Number of Causes heard and decided in 1859.. 18,052
Do. do. do. do. 1860.. 19,404

Increase in 1860... 1,352

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31st day of January 1861.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 3.

Return of graduated digest of Causes instituted from January to December 1860.

Year and Months.	Not above Co.'s Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500.	Total.
1860.									
January	840	281	236	73	41	14	2	6	1,493
February	953	279	242	92	32	21	10	3	1,632
March	939	294	230	87	51	15	8	5	1,629
April	654	229	224	91	47	15	6	7	1,277
May	1,164	351	270	88	46	11	5	8	1,943
June	907	304	247	98	38	20	13	4	1,631
July	909	298	265	103	61	19	11	4	1,670
August	941	294	309	114	82	27	8	12	1,787
September	864	318	240	113	58	27	13	6	1,639
October	1,089	317	244	120	65	18	10	7	1,908
November	1,022	299	252	102	58	19	9	5	1,766
December	785	235	223	90	57	20	7	6	1,423
Total....	11,067	3,499	3,026	1,171	616	224	102	73	19,778

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31st day of January 1861.

Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 4.

A Statement of the graduated digest of Costs of Summonses from January to December 1860.

Months.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 10			Fees and Costs under Rupees 20.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 50.			Fees and Costs under Rs. 100.			Fees and Costs under Rs. 200.			Fees and Costs under Rs. 300.			Fees and Costs under Rs. 400.			Fees and Costs under Rs. 500			Total.		
1860.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	634	10	0	629	8	0	1,178	8	0	848	2	0	806	2	0	467	8	0	104	8	0	384	8	0	5,053	6	0
February	735	8	0	635	8	0	1,167	8	0	952	10	0	575	14	0	699	12	0	502	12	0	192	4	0	5,461	12	0
March	737	14	0	658	0	0	1,075	6	0	996	14	0	1,000	6	0	517	12	0	383	12	0	328	14	0	5,698	14	0
April	510	12	0	505	12	0	1,103	4	0	957	10	0	935	2	0	483	8	0	290	14	0	423	0	0	5,209	14	0
May	909	2	0	760	6	0	1,311	14	0	925	2	0	865	12	0	353	0	0	247	4	0	475	6	0	5,847	14	0
June	670	4	0	685	10	0	1,212	10	0	1,020	10	0	712	14	0	715	6	0	648	4	0	250	8	0	5,946	2	0
July	708	12	0	666	6	0	1,290	2	0	1,137	14	0	1,183	2	0	584	12	0	546	8	0	206	2	0	6,382	10	0
August	726	10	0	692	4	0	1,475	14	0	1,232	6	0	1,219	6	0	896	0	0	383	8	0	668	2	0	7,294	2	0
September	700	13	0	702	14	0	1,167	7	0	1,262	0	0	1,097	14	0	865	11	0	614	6	0	381	10	0	6,792	11	0
October	871	14	0	703	4	0	1,358	12	0	1,329	2	0	1,313	6	0	559	8	0	485	12	0	444	8	0	7,066	2	0
November	805	8	0	673	12	0	1,231	12	0	1,095	2	0	1,140	8	0	622	2	0	430	8	0	311	4	0	6,310	8	0
December	636	4	0	532	8	0	1,086	0	0	978	2	0	1,098	14	0	696	14	0	339	14	0	360	8	0	5,729	0	0
Total	8,647	15	0	7,845	12	0	14,659	1	0	12,735	10	0	11,979	4	0	7,461	13	0	4,977	14	0	4,485	10	0	72,792	15	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1861.

(Signed) D. SHAW.
Chief Clerk.

No. 5.

A Statement showing the number of Causes remaining undecided on the 31st December 1860.

For want of Service.	Number of Causes postponed					Remarks
	For Plaintiffs or Defendants, or for parties Witnesses.	For Attachment.	At the request of Plaintiffs or Defendants, or both parties.	By order of Court.	Total	
5	40	...	4	83	132	...

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31st *day of January* 1861

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 6.

Abstract Statement of Causes heard and how disposed of, with the Commission and Fees leviable thereon, from January to December 1860

Months	Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suited.	Struck off	Compromised.	Undecided	Total	Commission and Fees.		
1860								RS.	A.	P.
January...	679	59	55	22	713	...	1,528	4,306	15	0
February	693	61	32	34	775	..	1,595	4,535	7	0
March	732	57	36	15	753	...	1,593	4,987	6	9
April	560	55	25	5	606	...	1,251	4,668	0	0
May..	862	65	43	12	922	...	1,904	4,919	9	0
June	754	78	26	6	751	...	1,615	5,109	14	0
July..	812	67	47	17	702	...	1,645	5,349	15	0
August..	859	67	21	7	784	...	1,738	6,510	6	0
September.	783	73	25	9	685	...	1,575	6,074	15	0
October	917	89	15	5	850	...	1,876	6,008	3	0
November.	830	92	15	10	774	...	1,721	5,521	1	0
December	648	67	23	16	477	132	1,363	5,222	12	6
Total ..	9,129	830	363	158	8,792	132	19,404	63,214	8	3

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31st *day of January* 1861.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 7.

A Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized and credited in the Cash Account from January 1859 *to December* 1860, *prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court and rendered to the Accountant to the Government of Madras, Judicial Department.*

Months.	1859. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of suits.			On account of Fees received on the issue of distraint process			Total.			Months.	1860. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of suits, &c			On account of Fees received on the issue of distraint process			Total.			Total increase of Fees in 1860			Total decrease of Fees in 1860			Remarks.
1859.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	1860	Rs.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P	
January....	3,889	4	0	...	...	...	3,889	4	0	January... ...	4,306	15	0	...	.	..	4,306	15	0	417	11	0	...	...	..	
February ...	3,601	4	0	...	...	...	3,601	4	0	February	4,535	7	0	...	..	..	4,535	7	0	934	3	0	...	...	..	
March.	4,940	11	0	...	...	...	4,940	11	0	March	4,987	6	9	...	...	..	4,987	6	9	46	11	9	...	...	...	
April.	4,059	9	0	...	...	..	4,059	9	0	April...	4,668	0	0	...	..	...	4,668	0	0	608	7	0	...	..	...	
May...	4,836	6	0	. .	...	.	4,836	6	0	May... ...	4,919	9	0	...	...	.	4,919	9	0	83	3	0	...	..	..	
June	5,164	1	0	...	..	.	5,164	1	0	June	5,109	14	0	...	...	...	5,109	14	0	...	...	.	54	3	0	
July...	4,461	5	0	...	...	...	4,461	5	0	July..	5,349	15	0	...	...	...	5,349	15	0	888	10	0	...	...	...	
August	3,979	5	0	..	...	...	3,979	5	0	August...	6,510	6	0	...	...	...	6,510	6	0	2,531	1	0	...	...	...	
September.	4,927	15	0	...	..	. .	4,927	15	0	September ...	6,074	15	0	...	...	...	6,074	15	0	1,147	0	0	...	...	...	
October..	4,617	15	0	...	..	...	4,617	15	0	October	6,008	3	0	...	...	...	6,008	3	0	1,390	4	0	...	...	...	
November...	5,709	13	0	.	..	...	5,709	13	0	November. ...	5,521	1	0	...	...	...	5,521	1	0	...	.	..	188	12	0	
December	4,410	10	0	...	...	...	4,410	10	0	December	5,222	12	6	...	.	...	5,222	12	6	812	2	6	.	.	..	
Total...	54,598	2	0		...	.	54,598	2	0	Total..	63,214	8	3	...	...	...	63,214	8	3	8,859	5	3	242	15	0	

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31*st day of January* 1861.

Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 8.

Abstract Statement of Sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their demands, from January to December 1860.

				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
			Balance on hand, Co.'s Rupees...	...	...	...	7,993	4	7
To Cash received on Causes decreed in	January	1860....		6,922	7	10			
Do.	do.	February	do.	5,803	13	6			
Do.	do.	March	do.	7,870	9	3			
Do.	do.	April	do.	5,081	8	3			
Do.	do.	May	do.	6,489	12	6			
Do.	do.	June	do.	7,804	15	0			
Do.	do.	July	do.	9,689	5	6			
Do.	do.	August	do.	8,983	15	6			
Do.	do.	September	do.	7,965	9	5			
Do.	do.	October	do.	9,558	9	7			
Do.	do.	November	do.	7,703	10	7			
Do.	do.	December	do.	7,796	11	3			
							91,671	0	2
			Total Company's Rupees...	...	...	...	99,664	4	9

				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
By Cash paid to Plaintiffs, &c., for Causes decreed in	January	1860...		6,945	1	6			
Do.	do.	February	do.	6,228	0	3			
Do.	do.	March	do.	7,259	3	7			
Do.	do.	April	do.	5,397	6	3			
Do.	do.	May	do.	6,153	11	7			
Do.	do.	June	do.	7,565	5	9			
Do.	do.	July	do.	8,712	8	0			
Do.	do.	August	do	7,995	14	4			
Do.	do.	September	do.	8,475	8	3			
Do.	do.	October	do.	8,594	4	8			
Do.	do.	November	do.	8,588	0	1			
Do.	do.	December	do.	7,372	12	10			
							89,287	13	1
			Balance carried to next account	...	...	...	10,376	7	8
			Total Company's Rupees...	...	...	...	99,664	4	9

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31*st day of January* 1861.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 9.

Abstract of the particulars of demand from January to December 1860.

Months	Cloths sold and delivered.	Other goods sold and delivered.	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.	Wages.	Work and labor.	Work and labor and materials	For money paid	For money lent.	For money had and received	On an account stated.	For use and occupation	On Judgment.	Guarantee	Partnership balance.	Other actions in assumpsit.	Trover.	Case.	Trespass.	Assault.	Replevin.	Interpleader.	Recovery of small Tenements	Ejectment.	Against Executors	Covenant.	Total
1860																										
January	122	374	521	71	5	...	29	115	20	..	134	62	4	1	45	32	..	6	..	...	...	...	13	...	1	1,555
February	129	381	517	69	17	8	46	112	13	4	137	58	5	6	117	53	...	4	1	...	2	...	8	..	5	1,692
March	118	323	557	31	26	...	56	184	11	6	164	40	3	4	110	60	..	5	1	..	...	...	20	1	...	1,670
April	94	381	427	51	18	..	37	80	5	1	57	39	3	1	61	40	...	3	4	..	..	...	12	.	2	1,316
May	135	518	615	107	38	3	31	135	7	2	151	62	8	3	94	59	...	4	3	..	2	..	16	..	14	2,007
June	162	356	535	56	28	1	53	127	11	1	123	41	6	...	99	54	..	5	..	..	4	...	14	.	...	1,676
July	110	299	566	51	24	9	48	95	15	14	133	27	7	3	197	72	...	8	2	..	1	...	14	1	3	1,699
August	155	322	560	95	16	2	44	124	14	17	119	35	5	9	199	61	...	14	..	..	3	...	8	6	3	1,811
September	149	395	499	78	13	3	49	114	12	9	134	38	4	1	103	49	...	4	3	.	3	...	11	...	9	1,680
October	163	455	665	80	22	1	68	171	10	8	119	40	6	2	57	60	..	5	1	..	2	...	12	2	3	1,952
November	159	372	468	124	29	9	69	176	13	2	184	30	6	4	57	73	...	1	1	..	9	...	13	..	6	1,805
December	82	311	422	72	7	1	29	106	12	13	114	24	2	2	196	34	.	3		...	2	...	11		6	1,449
Total	1,578	4,487	6,352	885	243	37	559	1,489	143	77	1,569	496	59	36	1,335	647	...	62	16	..	28	...	152	10	52	20,312

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31*st day of January* 1861

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 10.

Statement showing the amount of Fines levied, from January to December 1860.

Year	Months.	Amount.		
		RS.	A.	P.
1860	January...	...	...	...
„	February...	50	0	0
„	March..	30	0	0
„	April..	...	...	...
„	May...	...	...	...
„	June...	...	...	...
„	July...	...	...	...
„	August...	...	...	...
„	September...	...	...	...
„	October...	...	...	...
„	November...	...	...	...
„	December...	...	...	...
	Total Company's Rupees... ...	80	0	0

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

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31*st day of January* 1861.

No. 11.

Statement showing the monthly Salaries of three Judges and of the Establishment.

Monthly salary of the First Judge.			Second Judge			Third Judge.			Establishment.			Total.		
RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1,500	0	0	1,000	0	0	1,000	0	0	2,774	8	0	6,274	8	0

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

MARDAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1861.

No. 12.

Abstract Statement of Unrecovered Costs, from January to December 1860.

Months	Pauper Suits.	Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be paupers.	Costs of attachment ordered but not taken out by parties.	Fees of second and further Summonses not being taken out by parties.	Costs of Warrants ordered against witnesses but not called for.	Total.
1860.				Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
January	...	...	...	2 14 0	...	2 14 0
February	55 6 0	...	...	6 2 0	...	61 8 0
March...	...	...	...	7 8 0	...	7 8 0
April	...	...	...	7 2 0	...	7 2 0
May	..	..	...	9 4 0	...	9 4 0
June	...	...	...	8 14 0	...	8 14 0
July	9 8 0	...	...	4 14 0	...	14 6 0
August	...	...	...	4 0 0	...	4 0 0
September ...	...	...	...	8 8 0	...	8 8 0
October	..	...	...	6 14 0	...	6 14 0
November... ..	8 0 0	...	...	7 12 0	...	15 12 0
December	3 0 0	...	...	44 2 0	...	47 8 0
Total...	76 4 0	...	...	117 14 0	...	194 2 0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1861.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 13.

Statement showing the number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the amount of Fees realized thereon during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, *and* 1860, *together with the progressive increase and decrease in each year.*

Year.	Number of Causes instituted	Increase of Causes in each year	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realized.	Increase of Fees in each year.	Decrease of Fees in each year.
				Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1851	23,668	...	...	37,417 7 0	...	...
1852	24,392	724	...	43,349 2 3	5,931 11 3	...
1853	25,192	800	...	46,479 10 0	3,130 7 9	...
1854	26,483	1,291	...	49,281 10 0	2,802 0 0	...
1855	26,199	...	284	51,754 12 0	2,473 2 0	...
1856	22,869	...	3,330	43,682 14 6	...	8,071 13 6
1857	17,674	...	5,195	36,909 10 6	...	6,773 4 0
1858	18,020	346	...	43,564 13 6	6,655 3 0	...
1859	18,374	354	...	54,600 2 0	11,035 4 6	...
1860	19,778	1,404	...	63,294 8 3	8 694 6 3	..

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1861.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

RETURNS OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1861.

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No. 6.

FROM THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

To T. PYCROFT, Esq., *Chief Secretary to Government,*

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

1. We have the honor to forward, for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council, the Eleventh Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the year terminating on the 31st December last.

2. Table No. 1 is a digest of the year's work, and Table No. 14 shows the comparative working of the Court since its establishment; but we would here present, for His Excellency's information, the following Statement exhibiting the leading points of the Court's operations as compared with their results in 1860.

	1861.	1860.
Number of Causes instituted	23,054	19,778
Do. Defendants summoned	27,714	24,480
Amount of Summons Fees	Rs. 92,789 13 0	67,955 13 0
Number of Witnesses Subpœnaed	15,147	23,273
Amount of Subpœna Fees	Rs. 6,347 10 0	3,529 6 0
Half-costs refunded	„ 15,451 1 0	13,086 2 6
Value of property litigated	„ 6,42,196 7 11	5,02,417 6 9
Number of Causes undecided	203	132
Expenditure	Rs. 68,756 15 10	63,700 7 11
Net amount carried to credit of Government	„ 91,048 1 6	63,294 8 3

3. The expenditure for 1861 is Rupees 6,684-0-2 less than the Budget* Estimate, and the difference therefore between it and the net income, as detailed in the foregoing table, leaves a balance in favor of Government of Rupees 22,291-1-8.

* Rupees 75,441.

4 We would here mention, with reference to this very satisfactory result, that this is the first year in which the Court has yielded a Revenue in excess of its expenditure.

5. We would observe, with reference to the accompanying returns, that there has been a large increase in actions against parties residing in the Mofussil, which has naturally tended to augment the funds of the Court. This is a source of Revenue which, in the present state of the law, we cannot regard as permanent, as it has been ruled that in a number of such cases the Court has not jurisdiction.

6. In our letter* we acquainted Government that this improvement was to be attributed partly to the recent legislation for the limitation of suits, which had been the means of pressing suitors into Court. We are unable to speak with accuracy as to what has been the actual increase of Fees from this cause; but while it is probable that this years results, for the foregoing reason, may not prove so remunerative as those now submitted, we have grounds for hope that from the marked progress in the business of the Court for the ten months prior to the period when suitors first became aware of the effect which the Act for the limitation of suits would have on their claims, that the Court will be henceforth self-supporting.

* No. 234, 22nd July 1861.

7. In the same letter we also acquainted Government with the steps we had found it necessary to adopt to remedy the grievance of which witnesses complained of their being unnecessarily brought to Court.

8. A reference to the receipts under the head of Subpœna Fees will show the success of that measure; and how far it has proved an advantage to the community generally, for whose protection it was introduced, the following figures testify :—

	1861.	1860.
Number of Causes.	23,054	19,778
Number of Witnesses Subpœnaed.	15,147	23,273

9. Of the 23,054 Causes instituted, showing the average number daily to have been 83, 22,014 were set down for hearing and which were disposed of as follows:—

Judgment for Plaintiffs	11,633
Do for Defendants	760
Nonsuited	428
Struck out	166
Compromised	8,824
Undecided	203

10. The number of Causes undecided or adjourned, is a larger number than we desired to see brought into this year for trial: but we have pleasure in adding, notwithstanding the large increase in the business of the Court, which for $\frac{11}{12}$ths of the year was performed by two Judges, that without an exception the 203 Causes were adjourned at the request of, and for the sole convenience of, the parties interested.

11. Since Government were pleased to give us permission† to increase the Establishment temporarily, our attention has been further directed to how far we could economize labor in the Clerical Department of the Court.

† Vide Order No 1,385, 14th November 1861

12 One of the Rules required a duplicate Summons to be prepared in every case, a document which was filed with the record, and which was in fact a triplicate of the record. This duplicate we found could be dispensed with, and with the approval of the Honorable the

Judges of the Supreme Court, we have discontinued the practice; the advantage of which will be that it will reduce very materially the work in the Summons Issue Department, a reduction, however, which, with the general increase of business, will still leave ample work for the present number of hands For this reason we have not availed ourselves of the permission granted by Government, but we trust we may be permitted to retain the sanction, in the event of circumstances requiring us to give effect to it.

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

(Signed) MAURICE CROSS,
(„) G. E. COWER,
(„) C RUNGANADA SASTRY,
Judges

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

5th February 1862

No

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

Months	1			2	3	4
	Number of Suits instituted.					
	English	Native.	Total.	The English cases bear to the Native cases the ratio of	Number of Summonses issued.	Number of second and further Summonses issued.
1861						
January	315	1,443	1,758	1 to 4 580	3,901	925
February	311	1,378	1,689	1 to 4·430	3,747	449
March	305	1,527	1,832	1 to 5·006	3,978	799
April...	238	1,465	1,703	1 to 6 155	3,709	670
May	229	2,191	2,420	1 to 9 567	5,326	605
June	309	1,726	2,035	1 to 5·585	4,546	521
July	135	1,686	1,821	1 to 12 488	4,086	768
August	315	1,700	2,015	1 to 5·396	4,441	1,163
September	296	1,626	1,922	1 to 5·493	4,262	1,079
October	319	1,738	2,057	1 to 5·448	4,514	1,066
November...	409	1,537	1,946	1 to 3·757	4,223	887
December	226	1,630	1,856	1 to 7 212	4,035	807
Total... ...	3,407	19,647	23,054	1 to 5·766	50,768	9,739

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of the eleventh year of its institution, namely, from January to December 1861.

5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			15	16
									Appearances of parties to suits				
Number of Subpœnas issued	Number of Attachments issued	Number of Warrants issued	Number of Judge's Warrants issued	Number of copies of Judgment issued	Number of Commitments issued.	Number of Releases issued	Number of cases referred to Arbitration	Number of Warrants to sue and defend filed	By Attorneys and Barristers	By Vakeels	In person	Number of days in which the Court was opened.	Average number of Suits instituted daily
3,029	...	529	4	5	...	11	12	492	61	431	1,266	23	76·434
2,084	..	646	5	11	...	9	9	342	43	299	1,347	22	76 772
1,848	.	652	5	14	...	25	6	390	56	334	1,442	23	79 652
1,679	...	614	1	9	...	15	7	431	42	389	1,272	20	85 15
2,121	...	697	2	8	...	37	2	381	45	336	2,039	23	96 8
2,057	...	694	9	4	. .	26	1	432	36	396	1,603	23	88 478
1,723	...	729	5	9	...	31	6	325	25	300	1,496	23	79 173
1,990	...	687	5	12	...	17	8	373	26	347	1,642	25	80 6
1,668	.	723	5	22	...	25	6	399	27	372	1,523	25	76 88
1,344	...	784	13	19	...	17	2	367	44	323	1,690	25	82 28
1,690	.	633	3	16	...	28	12	415	43	372	1,531	25	77 84
1,376	..	550	1	11	...	22	16	221	17	204	1,635	19	97 684
22,609	..	7,938	58	140	...	263	87	4,568	465	4,103	18,486	278	82 928

No

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

Months	17											
	Amount litigated in the Suits instituted			Graduated digest of Costs received on institution of								
				Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees		
1861	RS	A	P	RS	A	P	RS	A.	P.	RS	A	P
January	48,114	8	3	766	13	0	699	6	0	1,258	2	0
February .	44,538	5	5	767	4	0	715	8	0	1,379	2	0
March	51,622	2	9	803	6	0	724	10	0	1,690	10	0
April	48,702	12	11	754	2	0	671	2	0	1,396	12	0
May	78,269	12	8	1,160	12	0	1,112	14	0	2,531	4	0
June .	54,120	14	0	882	12	0	917	2	0	1,674	8	0
July	46,100	14	2	823	14	0	744	2	0	1,577	14	0
August ...	51,072	6	0	873	14	0	883	8	0	1,595	2	0
September .	50,426	3	0	883	1	0	751	2	0	1,576	11	0
October ..	56,343	9	8	874	10	0	934	6	0	1,643	14	0
November	51,783	9	9	753	7	0	817	5	0	1,668	4	0
December ..	61,096	5	4	708	2	0	841	10	0	1,925	10	0
Total	6,42,196	7	11	10,052	1	0	9,812	11	0	19,917	13	0

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of the eleventh year of its Institution, namely, from January to December 1861.

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Suits, but of which portions have been returned to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases before hearing.

Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Total.		
RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P
1,261	14	0	981	10	0	855	10	0	631	12	0	453	12	0	6,908	15	0
1,143	12	0	1,116	4	0	600	10	0	498	6	0	695	2	0	6,916	0	0
1,147	4	0	1,223	8	0	912	12	0	788	0	0	894	14	0	8,185	0	0
1,582	4	0	1,615	12	0	955	8	0	628	0	0	655	0	0	8,258	8	0
2,145	14	0	2,186	8	0	1,234	10	0	1,007	4	0	1,026	14	0	12,406	0	0
1,603	6	0	1,493	4	0	769	14	0	509	12	0	921	0	0	8,771	10	0
1,494	10	0	1,158	10	0	631	4	0	640	6	0	505	10	0	7,576	6	0
1,526	14	0	1,598	0	0	895	6	0	523	14	0	525	4	0	8,421	14	0
1,096	4	0	1,490	0	0	941	0	0	300	0	0	732	14	0	7,771	0	0
1,339	0	0	1,899	2	0	994	6	0	497	2	0	724		0	8,907	2	0
1,390	6	0	1,640	8	0	969	0	0	257	6	0	425	0	0	7,921	4	0
1,741	2	0	1,582	10	0	1,047	6	0	759	8	0	735	12	0	9,341	12	0
17,472	10	0	17,985	12	0	10,807	6	0	7,041	6	0	8,295	12	0	1,01,385	7	0

No.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

Months	19					
	Graduated digest of Cases instituted					
	Not above Co.'s Rs 10.	Above Rs 10, not above Rs 20	Above Rs 20, not above Rs 50	Above Rs 50, not above Rs 100	Above Rs 100, not above Rs 200	Above Rs. 200, not above Rs 300.
1861.						
January...	983	308	259	113	49	26
February	938	297	264	99	53	17
March	1,124	185	308	103	57	25
April	878	288	271	138	80	26
May	1,103	449	489	190	111	38
June...	1,098	343	333	142	73	21
July	997	313	296	122	56	16
August	1,111	353	300	134	75	24
September	1,115	301	304	91	68	26
October.	1,109	386	310	115	89	27
November	1,049	341	321	122	74	27
December	826	349	389	158	75	31
Total	12,331	3,913	3,844	1,527	860	304

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of the eleventh year of its Institution, namely, from January to December 1861.

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during the year.			Disposal of Suits set down for hearing, during the months opposite to which the numbers stand						
Above Rs. 300, not above Rs. 400	Above Rs 400, not above Rs 500.	Total.	Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suited	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided	Total.
13	7	1,758	854	76	61	27	728	.	1,746
10	11	1,689	838	60	28	19	649		1,594
15	15	1,832	891	83	20	2	661	.	1,657
12	10	1,703	839	51	22	14	627		1,553
24	16	2,420	986	64	20	9	847	. .	1,926
11	14	2,035	1,051	74	33	12	845		2,015
12	9	1,821	1,052	79	33	21	763	.	1,948
10	8	2,015	1,074	55	32	15	843	.	2,019
6	11	1,922	1,052	55	43	8	747	. .	1,905
10	11	2,057	1,013	69	45	9	772	.	1,908
5	7	1,946	1,070	52	40	12	676		1,850
17	11	1,856	913	42	51	18	666	203	1,893
145	130	23,054	11,633	760	428	166	8,824	203	22,014

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

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Months	Amount carried to credit of Government on account of fees											
	Fees on institution of Summonses			Second and further Summonses, fees			Subpœna fees			Warrants, Notices, and Interpleader Summonses' fees, &c		
1860.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P	RS	A.	P	RS	A	P
January . .	6,468	11	0	99	0	0	354	0	0	358	12	0
February	6,292	0	0	154	2	0	469	14	0	334	3	0
March	7,536	12	0	138	10	0	489	10	0	517	9	0
April	7,539	4	0	145	0	0	574	4	0	395	13	0
May	11,566	4	0	143	10	0	696	2	0	424	10	0
June	7,966	14	0	151	14	0	652	14	0	399	2	0
July	6,923	6	0	199	2	0	453	14	0	543	44	6
August . . .	7,544	2	0	239	14	0	637	14	0	358	10	0
September ..	7,035	14	0	234	2	0	501	0	0	457	2	6
October	7,987	0	0	254	6	0	565	12	0	650	4	6
November	7,170	2	0	239	6	0	511	12	0	322	13	0
December	8,759	8	0	141	10	0	440	10	0	291	6	0
Total	92,789	13	0	2,160	21	0	6,347	10	0	5,054	3	6

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of the eleventh year of its institution, namely, from January to December 1861

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deposited during the months opposite to which the amounts stand

Fees realized in pauper suits			Total gross amount			Amount of half costs			Net amount carried to credit of Government			Amount repaid to Suitors on account of compromised cases		
RS	A	P.	RS	A.	P.	RS	A.	P.	RS	A	P.	RS.	A	P
12	12	0	7,293	3	0	900	2	0	6,393	1	0	900	2	0
20	0	0	7,270	3	0	856	1	0	6,414	2	0	856	1	0
. .	...		8,702	9	0	1,227	15	0	7,474	10	0	1,227	15	0
...		...	8,654	5	0	1,012	15	0	7,641	6	0	1,012	15	0
.			12,830	10	0	1,757	14	0	11,072	12	0	1,757	14	0
. .		...	1,970	12	0	1,497	5	0	7,673	7	0	1,497	5	0
...			8,120	4	6	1,245	4	6	6,875	0	0	1,245	4	6
			8,780	8	0	1,669	15	0	7,110	9	0	1,669	15	0
.	.	...	8,228	2	6	1,451	6	0	6,776	12	6	1,451	6	0
. .		..	9,457	6	6	1,223	10	6	8,233	12	0	1,223	10	6
.	.		8,244	1	0	1,443	5	0	6,800	12	0	1,443	5	0
. .			9,633	2	0	1,165	4	0	8,467	14	0	1,165	4	0
32	12	0	1,06,385	2	6	15,451	1	0	90,934	1	6	15,451	1	0

No. 1.

Statement containing the statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes, &c.—(Concluded).

Months.	23			24			25			26		
	Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved to be paupers.			Amount paid into Court by Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount paid out of Court to Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount of fines levied.		
1861.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	.....	...	...	5,648	8	4	6,342	1	3	...	...	...
February	.....	...	...	9,951	4	4	9,131	11	8	5	0	0
March	.....	...	...	7,322	8	7	7,626	13	4	1	0	0
April	.....	...	...	9,503	1	10	8,514	13	10	8	0	8
May	.....	...	...	10,497	14	8	10,259	5	8	..	...	...
June	.....	..	...	9,386	3	5	10,134	7	9	..	...	..
July	.....	...	...	10,187	8	5	9,627	13	1	...	...	...
August	.....	...	...	7,766	2	8	7,701	3	0	...	...	...
September	....	...	..	7,854	0	8	8,692	7	11	...	...	...
October.	.....	...	...	10,290	12	1	10,027	0	7	100	0	0
November	.....	...	...	8,204	11	3	8,004	12	4	...	...	...
December	.....	..	..	6,213	11	7	5,633	8	5	...	...	...
Total	.....	...	...	1,02,826	7	10	1,01,696	2	10	114	0	0

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1861, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays ..... 52 days

New Year's day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension day, Her Majesty's Birth-day, and Christmas days..... 6 „

Hindoo and other Holidays scattered throughout the year..... 29 „

Total..... 87

The Court sat..... 278 „

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MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1862.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No 2.

Comparative table of Causes heard and decided, from January to December 1860, *and from January to December* 1861.

	January		February		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August		September		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1860	1861	1860	1861	1860	1861	1860	1861	1860	1861	1860	1861	1860	1861	1860	1861	1860	1861	1860	1861	1860	1861	1860	1861	1860	1861
Judgment for Plaintiffs...	679	854	693	838	732	891	560	839	862	986	754	1,051	812	1,052	859	1,074	783	1,052	917	1,013	850	1,070	646	913	9,129	11,633
Judgment for Defendants	59	76	61	60	57	83	55	51	66	64	78	74	67	79	67	55	73	55	89	69	92	52	67	42	830	760
Non-suited and struck off	77	88	66	47	51	22	30	36	55	29	32	45	64	54	28	47	34	51	20	54	25	52	39	69	521	594
Compromised...	713	728	775	649	753	661	606	627	922	847	757	845	702	763	784	843	685	747	850	772	774	676	477	666	8,798	8,824
Undecided....	..	...	.		...	...		...	..	..	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	132	203	132	203
Total	1,528	1,746	1,595	1,594	1,593	1,657	1,251	1,553	1,904	1,926	1,615	2,015	1,645	1,948	1,738	2,019	1,575	1,905	1,876	1,908	1,721	1,850	1,363	1,893	19,404	22,014

MEMORANDUM

Number of Causes heard and decided in 1860... 19,404
Do do. do do 1861 .. 22,014

Increase in 1861 .. 2,610

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1862.

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk

No. 3

Return of Graduated Digest of Causes instituted from January to December 1861.

Year and Months.	Not above Co's Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500	Total.
1861.									
January	983	308	259	113	49	26	13	7	1,758
February	938	297	264	99	53	17	10	11	1,689
March	1,124	185	308	103	57	25	15	15	1,832
April	878	288	271	138	80	26	12	10	1,703
May	1,108	449	489	190	111	38	24	16	2,420
June	1,098	343	333	142	73	21	11	14	2,035
July	997	313	296	122	56	16	12	9	1,821
August..	1,111	353	300	134	75	24	10	8	2,015
September	1,115	301	304	91	68	26	6	11	1,922
October.	1,109	386	310	115	89	27	10	11	2,057
November	1,049	341	321	122	74	27	5	7	1,946
December	826	349	389	158	75	31	17	11	1,856
Total.. ..	12,331	3,913	3,844	1,527	860	304	145	130	23,054

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1862

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk

No. 4.

A Statement of the graduated Digest of Costs of Summonses, from January to December 1861.

Months	Fees and Costs under Rupees 10.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 20.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 50.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 100.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 200.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 300.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 400.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 500.			Total.		
1861.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	766	13	0	699	6	0	1,258	2	0	1,261	14	0	981	10	0	855	10	0	651	12	0	453	12	0	6,908	15	0
February	767	4	0	715	8	0	1,379	2	0	1,143	12	0	1,116	4	0	600	10	0	498	6	0	695	2	0	6,916	0	0
March	803	6	0	724	10	0	1,690	10	0	1,147	4	0	1,223	8	0	912	12	0	788	0	0	894	14	0	8,185	0	0
April	754	2	0	671	2	0	1,396	12	0	1,582	4	0	1,615	12	0	955	8	0	628	0	0	655	0	0	8,258	8	0
May	1,160	12	0	1,112	14	0	2,531	4	0	2,145	14	0	2,186	8	0	1,234	10	0	1,007	4	0	1,026	14	0	12,406	0	0
June	882	12	0	917	2	0	1,674	8	0	1,603	6	0	1,493	4	0	769	14	0	509	12	0	921	0	0	8,771	10	0
July	823	14	0	744	2	0	1,577	14	0	1,494	10	0	1,158	10	0	631	4	0	640	6	0	505	10	0	7,576	6	0
August	873	14	0	883	8	0	1,595	2	0	1,526	14	0	1,598	0	0	895	6	0	523	14	0	525	4	0	8,421	14	0
September	883	1	0	751	2	0	1,576	11	0	1,096	4	0	1,490	0	0	941	0	0	300	0	0	732	14	0	7,771	0	0
October	874	10	0	934	6	0	1,643	14	0	1,339	0	0	1,899	2	0	994	6	0	497	2	0	724	10	0	8,907	2	0
November	753	7	0	817	5	0	1,668	4	0	1,390	6	0	1,640	8	0	969	0	0	257	6	0	425	0	0	7,921	4	0
December	708	2	0	841	10	0	1,925	10	0	1,741	2	0	1,582	10	0	1,047	6	0	759	8	0	735	12	0	9,341	12	0
Total	10,052	1	0	9,812	11	0	19,917	13	0	17,472	10	0	17,985	12	0	10,807	6	0	7,041	6	0	8,295	12	0	1,01,385	7	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1862.

(Signed) D. SHAW, *Chief Clerk.*

No. 5.

A Statement showing the number of Causes remaining undecided on the 31st December 1861.

For want of Service.	Number of Causes postponed.					Remarks.
	For Plaintiffs or Defendants or for Parties' Witnesses.	For Attachment.	At the request of Plaintiffs or Defendants or both Parties.	By Order of Court.	Total.	
.....	43	.....	16	144	203	.....

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31st day of January 1862.

No. 6.

Abstract Statement of Causes heard and how disposed of with the Commission and Fees leviable thereon, from January to December 1861.

Months.	Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant	Non-suited.	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.	Commission and Fees.		
1851.								RS.	A.	P.
January	854	76	61	27	728	..	1,746	6,393	1	0
February	838	60	28	19	649	..	1,594	6,414	2	0
March	891	83	20	2	661	...	1,657	7,474	10	0
April	839	51	22	14	627	...	1,553	7,641	6	0
May	986	64	20	9	847	...	1,926	11,072	12	0
June	1,051	74	33	12	845	..	2,015	7,673	7	0
July	1,052	79	33	21	763	...	1,948	6,875	0	0
August	1,074	55	32	15	843	...	2,019	7,110	9	0
September	1,052	55	43	8	747	...	1,905	6,776	12	6
October	1,013	69	45	9	772	...	1,908	8,233	12	0
November	1,070	52	40	12	676	...	1,850	6,800	12	0
December	913	42	51	18	666	203	1,893	8,467	14	0
Total	11,633	760	428	166	8,824	203	22,014	90,934	1	6

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31st day of January 1862.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 7.

A Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized and credited in the Cash Account, from January 1860 *to December* 1861, *prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court, and rendered to the Accountant to the Government of Madras, Judicial Department.*

Months.	1860									Months.	1861.									Total increase of Fees in 1861.			Total decrease of Fees in 1861.			Remarks.
	On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of suits.			On account of Fees received on the issue of distraint process.			Total				On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of suits, &c.			On account of Fees received on the issue of distraint process.			Total.									
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
1860.										1861.																
January	4,306	15	0	...	...	...	4,306	15	0	January	6,393	1	0	...	...	...	6,393	1	0	2,086	2	0	...	...	...	
February	4,535	7	0	...	...	...	4,535	7	0	February	6,414	2	0	...	...	...	6,414	2	0	1,878	11	0	...	...	...	
March	4,987	6	9	...	...	...	4,987	6	9	March	7,474	10	0	...	...	...	7,474	10	0	2,487	3	3	...	...	...	
April	4,668	0	0	...	...	...	4,668	0	0	April	7,641	6	0	...	...	...	7,641	6	0	2,973	6	0	...	...	...	
May	4,919	9	0	...	...	...	4,919	9	0	May	11,072	12	0	...	...	...	11,072	12	0	6,153	3	0	...	...	...	
June	5,109	14	0	...	...	...	5,109	14	0	June	7,673	7	0	...	...	...	7,673	7	0	2,563	9	0	...	...	...	
July	5,349	15	0	...	...	...	5,349	15	0	July	6,875	0	0	...	...	...	6,875	0	0	1,525	1	0	...	...	...	
August	6,510	6	0	...	...	...	6,510	6	0	August	7,110	9	0	...	...	...	7,110	9	0	600	3	0	...	...	...	
September	6,074	15	0	...	...	...	6,074	15	0	September	6,776	12	6	...	...	...	6,776	12	6	701	13	6	...	...	...	
October	6,008	3	0	...	...	...	6,008	3	0	October	8,233	12	0	...	...	...	8,233	12	0	2,225	9	0	...	...	...	
November	5,521	1	0	...	...	...	5,521	1	0	November	6,800	12	0	...	...	...	6,800	12	0	1,279	11	0	...	...	...	
December	5,222	12	6	...	...	...	5,222	12	6	December	8,467	14	0	...	...	...	8,467	14	0	3,245	1	6	...	...	...	
	63,214	8	3	...	...	...	63,214	8	3		90,934	1	6	...	...	...	90,934	1	6	27,719	9	3	...	...	...	

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1862.

No 8

Abstract Statement of Sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c, on account of their demands, from January to December 1861

				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.					Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P
Balance on hand Company's Rupees.....				...	...	...	10,376	7	8										
To Cash received on Causes decreed in January 1861				5,648	8	4				By Cash paid to Plaintiff, &c., for Causes decreed in January 1861...				6,342	1	3			
Do	do.	February	do.	9,951	4	4				Do.	do	February	do .	9,131	11	8			
Do.	do.	March	do .	7,322	8	7				Do.	do.	March	do.	7,626	13	4			
Do	do	April	do. ...	9,503	1	10				Do	do	April	do. ...	8,514	13	10			
Do	do	May	do. . ;	10,497	14	8				Do.	do.	May	do. ...	10,259	5	8			
Do.	do	June	do. ...	9,386	3	5				Do.	do.	June	do. .	10,134	7	9			
Do	do	July	do. ...	10,187	8	5				Do.	do.	July	do. .	9,627	13	1			
Do.	do	August	do. ...	7,766	2	8				Do.	do.	August	do. .	7,701	3	0			
Do	do.	September	do. .	7,854	0	8				Do.	do.	September	do. .	8,692	7	11			
Do.	do.	October	do. ...	10,290	12	1				Do	do.	October	do. ...	10,027	0	7			
Do	do.	November	do . .	8,204	11	3				Do	do	November	do ..	8,004	12	4			
Do	do	December	do. ...	6,213	11	7				Do	do	December	do. .	5,633	8	5			
							1,02,826	7	10								1,01,696	2	10
										Balance carried to next Account.....				...	...		11,506	12	8
Total Company's Rupees				...	...	...	1,13,202	15	6	Total Company's Rupees				...	...		1,13,202	15	6

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31*st day of January* 1862

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk

No 9.

Abstract of the particulars of Demand from January to December 1861.

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered.	Other goods sold and delivered.	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.	Wages.	Work and labor	Work and labor and materials.	For money paid.	For money lent.	For money had and received.	On an account stated.	For use and occupation.	On Judgment.	Guarantee.	Partnership balance.	Other actions in assumpsit.	Trover.	Case.	Trespass.	Assault.	Replevin.	Interpleader.	Recovery of small tenements.	Ejectment.	Against Executors.	Covenant.	Total
1861.																										
January	121	478	512	67	27	6	62	123	15	3	164	29	15	14	70	46	...	12	2	..	6	...	20	...	1	1,793
February	149	429	500	70	18	10	51	110	25	9	120	43	4	5	93	51	...	6	3	...	1	...	13	...	23	1,733
March	124	516	545	42	31	8	46	158	11	9	86	32	5	9	157	60	...	...	3	...	11	...	14	...	8	1,875
April	136	408	533	24	25	...	45	140	9	3	133	24	4	..	168	53	...	5	..	...	...	...	17	..	...	1,727
May	207	479	964	54	31	2	27	243	10	4	146	44	8	1	165	41	...	3	2	...	4	...	10	6	17	2,468
June	206	514	666	61	17	4	31	131	15	5	165	62	23	5	108	62	...	5	4	...	2	...	11	1	1	2,099
July	173	426	506	107	39	4	23	208	12	3	162	26	7	2	82	49	...	1	5	...	5	...	7	4	1	1,852
August	203	513	560	78	35	2	59	158	14	7	180	57	2	2	105	73	...	4	..	...	3	...	12	..	8	2,075
September	204	618	476	73	31	4	44	123	13	24	153	46	13	5	82	50	...	1	...	...	12	...	7	...	1	1,980
October	208	662	503	44	73	2	53	159	11	7	182	54	7	..	83	53	...	4	...	...	20	...	5	..	1	2,131
November	160	596	481	56	45	11	48	141	14	17	145	47	10	4	136	48	...	2	6	...	3	...	7	..	19	1,996
December	175	642	479	35	22	27	67	90	23	10	123	53	28	24	34	43	...	9	6	...	4	...	17	...	2	1,913
Total.	2,066	6,281	6,725	711	394	80	556	1,784	172	101	1,759	517	126	71	1,283	629	...	52	31	...	71	...	140	11	82	23,642

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1862

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 10.

Statement showing the amount of Fines levied from January to December 1861.

Year.	Months	Amount.		
		RS.	A.	P.
1861	January	...	...	...
,,	February	5	0	0
,,	March	1	0	0
,,	April	8	0	0
,,	May	...	...	
,,	June		...	
,,	July	...	...	...
,,	August	...	...	...
,,	September	...	...	...
,,	October	100	0	0
,,	November	...	...	...
,,	December	...	...	...
	Total Company's Rupees	114	0	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1862.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 11.

Statement showing the monthly Salaries of three Judges and of the Establishment.

Monthly Salary of the														
First Judge			Second Judge.			Third Judge			Establishment.			Total		
RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.
1,500	0	0	1,000	0	0	1,000	0	0	2,804	8	0	6,304	8	

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1862.

(Signed) D. SHAW.
Chief Clerk.

12.

Abstract Statement of unrecovered Costs from January to December 1861.

Months.	Pauper Suits.			Cost remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be paupers.			Costs of attachment ordered but not taken out by parties.			Fees of second and further Summonses not being taken out by parties.			Costs of Warrants ordered against witnesses but not called for.			Total.		
1861.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	.....	.....		...	.....		...	.....		3	.....		...	.....		3	0	0
February	.....	.....		...	.....		...	.....		9	10	0	...	.....		9	10	0
March	1	10	0	...	.....		...	.....		8	2	0	...	.....		9	12	0
April	.....	.....		...	.....		...	.....		8	14	0	...	.....		8	14	0
May	.....	.....		...	.....		...	.....		9	14	0	...	.....		9	14	0
June	.....	.....		...	.....		...	.....		16	10	0	...	.....		16	10	0
July	.....	.....		...	.....		...	.....		13	8	0	...			13	8	0
August	1	4	0	...	.....		...	.....		12	14	0	...	.....		14	2	0
September	16	10	0	...	.....		...	.....		7	8	0	...	.....		24	2	0
October	.....	.....		...	.....		...	.....		11	8	0	...	.....		11	8	0
November	.....	.....		...	.....		...	.....		8	8	0	...	.....		8	8	0
December	1	0	0	..	.....		...	.....		5	2	0	...	.....		6	2	0
Total	20	8	0	...	.....		...	.....		115	2	0	...	.....		135	10	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1862.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 13.

Statement showing the number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the amount of Fees realized thereon during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, *and* 1861, *together with the progressive increase and decrease in each year.*

Year	Number of Causes instituted	Increase of Causes in each year.	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each year.			Decrease of Fees in each year.		
				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1851	23,668	.....	.....	37,417	7	0	...	.....		...	.....	
1852	24,392	724	.....	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	...	.....	
1853	25,192	800	.....	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	...	.....	
1854	26,483	1,291	.....	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	...	.....	
1855	26,199	.....	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	..	.....	
1856	22,869	.....	3,330	43,682	14	6	...	.....		8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	.....	5,195	36,909	10	6	..	.....		6,773	4	0
1858	18,020	346	.....	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	...	.....	
1859	18,374	354	.....	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	..	.....	
1860	19,778	1,404	.....	63,291	8	3	8,694	6	3	...	.....	
1861	23,054	3,276	.....	91,048	0	6	27,753	9	3	...	.....	
	.....	.....	.....	...	.....		...	.....		...	.....	

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1862.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

RETURNS OF CASES,

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1862.

PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.

MADRAS:
PRINTED AT THE UNITED SCOTTISH PRESS, BY GRAVES, COOKSON & CO.
1863.

No

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

Months.	1			2	3	4
	Number of Suits instituted.			The English cases bear to the Native cases the ratio of	Number of Summonses issued	Number of second and further Summonses issued
	English.	Native	Total.			
1862.						
January	276	1,462	1,738	1 to 5 297	2,201	502
February	345	1,313	1,658	1 to 3 805	1,961	313
March	295	1,783	2,078	1 to 6 044	2,374	495
April	180	1,379	1,559	1 to 7 661	1,860	528
May	306	1,678	1,984	1 to 5 483	2,425	548
June	236	1,560	1,796	1 to 6 610	2,115	404
July	249	1,689	1,938	1 to 6 783	2,268	519
August	259	1,749	2,008	1 to 6 752	2,402	552
September	79	1,979	2,058	1 to 25 050	2,470	491
October...	93	1,912	2,005	1 to 20 559	2,387	462
November	260	1,799	2,059	1 to 6 919	2,465	400
December	193	1,271	1,464	1 to 6·585	1,769	487
Total...	2,771	19,574	22,345	1 to 7 063	26,717	5,736

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of the twelfth year of its institution, namely, from January to December 1862.

5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			15	16
									Appearances of parties to suits.				
Number of Subpœnas issued.	Number of Attachments issued.	Number of Warrants issued.	Number of Judge's Warrants issued.	Number of copies of Judgments issued.	Number of Commitments issued.	Number of Releases issued.	Number of cases referred to Arbitration.	Number of Warrants to sue and defend filed.	By Attorneys and Barristers.	By Vakeels.	In person.	Number of days in which the Court was opened.	Average number of Suits instituted daily.
1,854	...	569	3	11	...	18	14	377	48	329	1,361	21	82·761
1,510	...	667	2	24	1	12	13	299	54	245	1,359	22	75·363
1,538	...	699	4	17	2	15	17	287	57	230	1,791	24	86·583
1,325	...	499	7	6	...	12	7	225	15	210	1,334	18	86·611
1,949	...	753	5	5	...	9	10	316	35	281	1,668	25	79·36
1,616	1	671	6	12	3	16	6	247	27	220	1,549	22	81·636
1,523	...	665	1	26	...	12	8	291	34	257	1,647	23	84·260
1,691	...	733	5	22	1	19	4	252	40	212	1,756	24	83·666
1,491	...	785	3	16	...	16	3	160	18	142	1,898	25	82·32
1,478	...	771	3	14	1	13	2	201	18	183	1,864	25	80·2
1,508	...	771	1	17	...	21	4	223	52	171	1,836	25	82·36
1,346	...	636	2	11	2	8	8	152	32	120	1,312	20	73·2
18,829	1	8,219	42	181	10	171	96	3,030	430	2,600	19,315	274	81·551

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

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Months	Amount litigated in the Suits instituted.			Graduated digest of Costs received on institution of								
				Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees.		
1862	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	42,101	12	11	795	4	0	661	12	0	1,419	10	0
February	42,958	13	8	770	12	0	698	12	0	1,156	2	0
March	48,465	13	1	965	10	0	769	4	0	1,576	14	0
April	38 652	12	4	725	4	0	669	8	0	1,155	8	0
May	54,930	4	0	932	4	0	814	12	0	1,562	14	0
June	50,838	6	0	747	0	0	804	4	0	1,553	12	0
July	49,478	8	3	855	12	0	816	0	0	1,449	4	0
August	50,543	0	2	938	0	0	847	10	0	1,560	10	0
September	48,066	1	3	970	2	0	904	2	0	1,614	0	0
October	47,960	11	4	901	0	0	782	0	0	1,811	4	0
November	44,331	5	8	973	4	0	814	0	0	1,641	4	0
December	34,782	1	0	653	14	0	680	10	0	1,331	6	0
Total...	5,53,109	9	8	10,228	2	0	9,262	10	0	17,835	8	0

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Suits, but of which portions have been returned to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases before hearing.

Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Total.		
Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1,308	10	0	1,016	6	0	543	10	0	724	6	0	251	2	0	6,750	12	0
1,065	0	0	1,393	0	0	853	2	0	477	4	0	749	12	0	7,165	12	0
1,297	12	0	1,205	2	0	849	8	0	415	10	0	471	10	0	7,551	6	0
987	8	0	1,411	2	0	690	14	0	389	8	0	216	12	0	6,246	0	0
1,193	14	0	1,726	0	0	547	4	0	372	10	0	437	6	0	7,587	0	0
1,363	6	0	1,105	0	0	1,008	0	0	761	2	0	558	2	0	7,900	10	0
1,357	0	0	1,140	6	0	709	6	0	596	10	0	537	8	0	7,461	14	0
1,507	4	0	1,665	2	0	698	14	0	316	2	0	310	8	0	7,844	2	0
1,216	6	0	1,512	0	0	562	0	0	301	2	0	588	0	0	7,667	12	0
1,276	12	0	1,262	10	0	721	2	0	443	8	0	332	12	0	7,534	0	0
1,237	12	0	1,205	8	0	380	4	0	449	2	0	267	10	0	6,968	12	0
919	0	0	970	14	0	334	14	0	140	6	0	336	8	0	5,367	8	0
14,730	4	0	15,645	2	0	7,898	14	0	5,387	6	0	5,057	10	0	86,045	8	0

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

Months.	19					
	Graduated digest of Cases instituted					
	Not above Rs. 10.	Above Rs. 10, not above Rs. 20.	Above Rs. 20, not above Rs. 50.	Above Rs. 50, not above Rs. 100.	Above Rs. 100, not above Rs. 200.	Above Rs. 200, not above Rs. 500.
1862.						
January	1,005	282	259	114	46	14
February	984	252	222	89	65	24
March	1,241	328	305	110	55	24
April	875	277	222	87	68	19
May	1,130	331	306	108	79	15
June	953	304	308	124	54	29
July	1,100	338	280	125	56	19
August	1,113	353	295	134	82	19
September	1,165	368	320	101	71	17
October...	1,107	326	362	116	59	21
November	1,226	325	316	110	57	11
December	787	281	255	79	43	10
Total...	12,686	3,765	3,450	1,297	735	222

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during the year.			Disposal of Suits set down for hearing, during the months opposite to which the numbers stand.						
Above Rs. 300, not above Rs. 400.	Above Rs. 400, not above Rs. 500.	Total.	Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suited.	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.
14	4	1,738	1,015	93	117	25	795	...	2,045
10	12	1,658	914	52	60	17	604	...	1,647
8	7	2,078	900	30	47	4	564	...	1,545
8	3	1,559	730	40	52	9	613	...	1,444
8	7	1,984	1,227	70	92	10	811	...	2,210
13	9	1,796	912	48	62	7	654	...	1,683
12	8	1,938	1,044	52	47	13	704	...	1,860
6	6	2,008	1,075	49	56	14	669	...	1,863
7	9	2,058	1,110	53	45	17	778	...	2,003
9	5	2,005	1,089	55	41	15	728	...	1,928
9	5	2,059	1,052	62	64	20	668	...	1,866
4	5	1,464	873	42	46	11	469	96	1,537
110	80	22,345	11,941	646	729	162	8,057	96	21,631

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

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Months	Amount carried to credit of Government on account of fees											
	Fees on institution of Summonses.			Second and further Summonses' fees.			Subpœna fees.			Warrants, Notices, and Interpleader Summonses' fees, &c		
1862.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	5,897	14	0	162	10	0	690	4	0	455	8	0
February	6,416	6	0	225	14	0	523	8	0	356	12	6
March	6,824	12	0	229	0	0	497	10	0	399	2	0
April	5,678	10	0	166	12	0	400	10	0	404	4	4
May	6,862	0	0	136	0	0	589	0	0	413	14	0
June	7,185	4	0	212	2	0	503	4	0	392	11	6
July	6,791	0	0	189	4	0	481	10	0	396	15	6
August	7,146	0	0	192	6	0	505	12	0	365	13	0
September	7,072	11	0	185	6	0	409	8	0	470	11	6
October	6,852	8	0	170	10	0	433	12	0	391	7	0
November	6,388	2	0	188	6	0	392	4	0	396	2	6
December...	4,831	0	0	170	2	0	366	6	0	361	6	0
Total...	77,946	6	0	2,228	8	0	5,793	8	0	4,804	11	10

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deposited during the months opposite to which the amounts stand

Fees realized in Pauper suits.			Total gross amount.			Amount of half costs.			Net amount carried to credit of Government			Amount repaid to Suitors on account of compromised cases		
Rs.	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P
...	..	...	7,206	4	0	1,196	9	0	6,009	11	0	1,196	9	0
...	...	...	7,522	8	6	1,176	0	0	6,346	8	6	1,176	0	0
...	...	...	7,950	8	0	1,182	14	0	6,767	10	0	1,182	14	0
. .	...	...	6,650	4	4	982	2	0	5,668	2	4	982	2	0
...	..	. .	8,000	14	0	1,714	14	6	6,285	15	6	1,714	14	6
...	...	.	8,293	5	6	911	9	0	7,381	12	6	911	9	0
...	...	.	7,858	13	6	1,576	8	6	6,282	5	0	1,576	8	6
...	...	..	8,209	15	0	1,138	8	6	7,071	6	6	1,138	8	6
...	..	...	8,138	7	6	1,444	1	0	6,694	6	6	1,444	1	0
77	2	...	7,925	7	0	1,235	3	6	6,690	3	6	1,235	3	6
.	...	...	7,364	14	6	1 174	6	0	6,190	8	6	1,171	6	0
...	...	. .	5,728	14	0	995	7	0	4,733	7	0	995	7	0
77	2	0	90,850	3	10	14,728	3	0	76,122	0	10	14,728	3	0

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Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes, &c.—(Concluded.)

Months.	23			24			25			26		
	Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Amount paid into Court by Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount paid out of Court to Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount of fines levied.		
1862.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January...	...	...	...	6,951	9	0	6,528	15	10	...	...	...
February ...	...	...	...	7,334	8	0	7,374	2	3	...	...	...
March...	...	...	...	9,260	2	11	9,132	8	5	...	...	...
April ...	...	...	...	7,099	14	9	6,921	3	10	...	...	...
May ...	...	...	...	8,237	0	10	7,470	11	0	...	..	...
June ...	...	...	...	9,699	6	2	9,150	5	10	...	...	...
July ..	...	...	...	10,738	3	1	11,185	0	11	...	...	...
August ...	...	...	...	8,125	5	0	7,887	12	9	...	...	...
September	...	...	...	9,949	11	5	9,621	9	7	...	...	...
October ...	...	...	...	7,734	4	4	8,418	10	0	...	...	...
November	...	...	...	6,550	15	10	6,659	9	9	...	...	...
December ...	...	...	...	7,661	4	10	7,010	8	9	...	...	...
Total...	...	...	...	99,342	6	2	97,361	2	11	...	...	...

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1862, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays..... 52 days.

New Year's day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension day, Her Majesty's Birth-day, and Christmas days..... 6 „

Hindoo and other Holidays scattered throughout the year..... 33 „

Total..... 91

The Court sat..... 274 „

Total..... 365 „

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1863.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 2.

Comparative Table of Causes heard and decided, from January to December 1861, *and from January to December* 1862.

	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1861	1862	1861	1862	1861	1862	1861	862	1861	1862	1861	1862	1861	1862	1861	1862	1861	1862	1861	1862	1861	1862	1861	1862	1861	1862
Judgment for Plaintiff	854	1,015	838	914	891	900	839	730	936	1,227	1,051	912	1,052	1,044	1,074	1,075	1,053	1,110	1,013	1,089	1,070	1,032	913	873	11,633	11,941
Judgment for Defendant	76	93	60	52	83	30	51	40	64	70	74	48	79	52	55	49	55	53	69	55	52	62	42	42	760	646
Non suited and Struck off... ...	88	142	47	77	22	51	36	61	29	102	45	69	54	60	47	70	51	62	54	56	52	84	69	57	594	891
Compromised	728	795	649	604	661	564	627	613	847	811	845	654	763	704	843	669	747	778	772	728	676	668	666	469	8,824	8,057
Undecided	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	.	203	96	203	96
Total ..	1,746	2,045	1,594	1,647	1,657	1,545	1,553	1,444	1,926	2,210	2,015	1,683	1,948	1,860	2,019	1,863	1,903	2,003	1,908	1,928	1,850	1,866	1,593	1,537	22,014	21,631

MEMORANDUM.

Number of Causes heard and decided in 1861 . 22,014
Do. do. do. do. 1862...21,631

Decrease in 1862... 383

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1863.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 3.

Return of Graduated Digest of Causes instituted from January to December 1862.

Year and Months.	Not above Co.'s Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500.	Total.
1862.									
January	1,005	282	259	114	46	14	14	4	1,738
February	984	252	222	89	65	24	10	12	1,658
March	1,241	328	305	110	55	24	8	7	2,078
April	875	277	222	87	68	19	8	3	1,559
May	1,130	331	306	108	79	15	8	7	1,984
June	953	304	308	124	54	29	15	9	1,796
July	1,100	338	280	125	56	19	12	8	1,938
August	1,113	353	295	134	82	19	6	6	2,008
September	1,165	368	320	101	71	17	7	9	2,038
October	1,107	326	362	116	59	21	9	5	2,005
November	1,226	325	316	110	57	11	9	5	2,059
December	787	281	255	79	43	10	4	5	1,464
Total ..	12,686	3,765	3,450	1,297	735	222	110	80	22,345

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1863

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk

No 7

A Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized and credited in the Cash Account, from January 1861 *to December* 1862, *prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court, and rendered to the Accountant to the Government of Madras, Judicial Department.*

Months.	1861									Months.	1862									Total increase of Fees in 1862.			Total decrease of Fees in 1862			Remarks.
	On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of suits.			On account of Fees received on the issue of distraint process.			Total.				On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of suits.			On account of Fees received on the issue of distraint process.			Total								
1861.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	1862.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
January ...	6,393	1	0	..	...	...	6,393	1	0	January ...	6,009	11	0	...	...	...	6,009	11	0	...	...	...	383	6	0	
February ...	6,414	2	0	...	...	...	6,414	2	0	February ...	6,346	8	6	...	...	...	6,346	8	6	...	...	...	67	9	6	
March... ...	7,474	10	0	...	...	.	7,474	10	0	March	6,767	10	0	...	...	...	6,767	10	0	...	...	.	707	0	0	
April	7,641	6	0	...	...	...	7,641	6	0	April... ...	5,668	2	4	...	...	...	5,668	2	4	...	...	...	1,973	3	8	
May ...	11,072	12	0	. .	...	..	11,072	12	0	May	6,285	15	6	...	...	...	6,285	15	6	...	...	...	4,786	12	6	
June	7,673	7	0	...	...	...	7,673	7	0	June... ...	7,381	12	6	...	..	...	7,381	12	6	...	...	...	291	10	6	
July... ...	6,875	0	0	...	...	...	6,875	0	0	July	6,282	5	0	...	...	...	6,282	5	0	...	...	...	592	11	0	
August ...	7,110	9	0	...	...	..	7,110	9	0	August ...	7,071	6	6	...	. .	...	7,071	6	6	...	...	...	39	2	6	
September ...	6,776	12	6	...	...	...	6,776	12	6	September ...	6,694	6	6	...	..	...	6,694	6	6	...	...	...	82	6	0	
October ...	8,233	12	0	...	...	...	8,233	12	0	October ...	6,690	3	6	...	...	...	6,690	3	6	...	...	...	1,543	8	6	
November ...	6,800	12	0	...	...	...	6,800	12	0	November	6,190	8	6	...	...	.	6,190	8	6	...	..	...	610	3	6	
December ...	8,467	14	0	...	..	...	8,467	14	0	December ...	4,733	7	0	...	...	...	4,733	7	0	...	...	. .	3,734	7	0	
Total...	90,934	1	6	...			90,934	1	6	Total...	76,122	0	10	...	...	...	76,122	0	10	...	...	...	14,812	0	8	

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1863

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk

No. 8.

Abstract Statement of Sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their Demands, from January to December 1862.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on hand Rupees.....	...	...	...	11,506	12	8	By Cash paid to Plaintiffs, &c., for Causes decreed in						
To Cash received on Causes decreed in January 1862.	6,951	9	...				January 1862...	6,528	15	10			
Do. do. February do	7,334	8	0				Do. do. February do. ...	7,374	2	3			
Do. do. March do	9,260	2	11				Do. do. March do. ...	9,132	8	5			
Do. do. April do	7,099	14	9				Do. do. April do. ...	6,921	3	10			
Do. do. May do	8,237	0	10				Do. do. May do. ...	7,470	11	...			
Do. do. June do	9,699	6	2				Do. do. June do. ...	9,150	5	10			
Do. do. July do	10,738	3	1				Do. do. July do. ...	11,185	0	11			
Do. do. August do	8,125	5	0				Do. do. August do. ...	7,887	12	9			
Do. do. September do	9,949	11	5				Do. do. September do. ...	9,621	9	7			
Do. do. October do	7,734	4	4				Do. do. October do. ...	8,418	10	0			
Do. do. November do	6,550	15	10				Do. do. November do. ...	6,659	9	9			
Do. do. December do	7,661	4	10				Do. do. December do. ...	7,010	8	9			
											97,361	2	11
				99,342	6	2	Balance carried to next Account.....				13,487	15	11
Total Rupees...				1,10,849	2	10	Total Rupees.....				1,10,849	2	10

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31st day of January 1863.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 9.

Abstract of the particulars of demand from January to December 1862.

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered	Other goods sold and delivered.	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.	Wages.	Work and labor.	Work and labor and materials.	For money paid.	For money lent.	For money had and received.	On an account stated.	For use and occupation.	On Judgment.	Guarantee.	Partnership balance.	Other actions in assumpsit.	Trover.	Case.	Trespass.	Assault.	Replevin.	Interpleader.	Recovery of small tenements.	Ejectment.	Against Executors.	Covenant.	Total.
1862.																										
January	265	534	513	97	25	20	99	113	24	9	173	56	14	17	23	53	...	...	...	...	23	...	7	7	...	2,072
February	217	458	415	55	28	4	40	141	10	6	152	40	4	2	156	56	...	10	..	...	15	...	0	3	21	1,839
March...	118	499	398	60	18	15	42	96	22	10	143	26	9	8	151	45	...	2	...	...	5	...	7	...	9	1,783
April...	237	400	292	28	16	1	38	129	7	17	147	26	8	2	147	48	...	2	...	..	11	...	3	1	3	1,463
May	233	615	478	50	42	6	48	205	17	5	201	51	15	7	181	60	...	7	5	...	9	...	14	4	5	2,258
June	200	549	397	47	16	7	54	132	13	3	179	34	8	2	165	49	...	3	2	...	12	...	14	2	...	1,888
July...	246	637	396	24	21	25	57	140	8	17	183	31	16	2	79	60	...	7	3	...	11	...	19	5	...	1,993
August	285	601	434	30	26	3	52	163	10	10	197	32	7	2	87	40	...	8	...	...	5	...	12	1	3	2,008
September	258	651	522	42	42	7	33	155	20	5	174	61	7	5	71	57	...	...	...	...	3	...	17	...	...	2,130
October...	223	666	489	62	56	10	21	119	13	4	181	36	7	6	98	55	...	3	...	...	6	...	7	...	2	2,064
November	226	523	402	63	18	5	45	111	7	17	157	71	9	8	121	49	...	10	...	...	5	...	19	4	18	1,888
December	222	371	378	56	26	2	28	120	6	19	133	45	15	7	94	60	...	5	..	...	9	...	12	1	4	1,613
Total...	2,730	6,504	5,114	614	337	105	557	1,624	157	122	2,020	512	119	68	1,373	632	...	57	10	...	114	...	137	28	65	22,999

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1863.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 10.

Statement of Causes instituted in the Distraint Department from January to December 1862, *with the amount of Rent sued for, the gross amount of Costs deposited, and the amount of Costs credited to Government.*

Months.	Compromised before appraisement.	Executed by Sale.	Dismissed before appraisement.	Unexecuted.	Compromised after appraisement.	Dismissed after appraisement.	Total number of Causes	Amount of Rent sued for.	Gross amount Costs deposited.	Amount of Costs credited to Government.	Amount Subpœna Fees.	Total amount credited to Government.
1862.												
January	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
February	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
March	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
April	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
May	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
June	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
July	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
August	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
September	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
October	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
November	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
December	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1863.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No 11.

Statement showing the Amount of Fines levied from January to December 1862.

Year.	Month.	Amount.		
		Rs.	A.	P.
1862	January	...	...	..
,,	February	...	...	...
,,	March	...	...	...
,,	April	...	...	...
,,	May	...		...
,,	June	...	...	...
,,	July	...	...	...
,,	August	...	...	...
,,	September	...	...	...
,,	October	...	...	...
,,	November	...	...	...
,,	December	...	...	..
	Total	...	...	...

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1863.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 12.

Statement showing the monthly Salaries of three Judges and of the Establishment.

Monthly Salary of the											
Senior Judge			Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each.			Establishment.			Total.		
Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1,500	,,	,,	2,000	,,	,,	2,744	8	,,	6,244	8	,,

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1863.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 13.

Abstract Statement of unrecovered Costs from January to December 1862.

Months.	Pauper Suits.			Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be paupers.			Costs of attachment ordered but not taken out by parties.			Fees of second and further Summonses not being taken out by parties.			Costs of Warrants ordered against witnesses but not called for.			Total.		
1862.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	...	...	...	...	.	..	...	...	...	10	10	0	...	...	..	10	10	
February	...	..	.	. .	..		...	...	...	7	0	0	...	...	...	7	0	0
March	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	12	4	0	...		...	12	4	0
April	...	...	...	...	.	.	...	...	..	7	6	0	...	...	...	7	6	0
May	...	...	...	.		...	...	...	...	17	10	0	...	...	...	17	10	0
June	11	4	0	...		.	...	...	...	7	14	0	...	...	...	19	2	0
July	8	4	0	...	.	...	...	...	...	8	10	0	...	..	...	16	14	0
August	...		. .	...	...	.	...	...	...	11	14	0	...	...	...	11	14	0
September	...	.	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	10	8	0	...	...	...	10	8	0
October	...	..	...	...	.	...	...	...	...	7	12	0	...	...	...	7	12	0
November	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	8	0	...	...	...	23	8	0
December	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	36	12	0	...	..	..	36	12	0
Total	19	8	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	162	6	0	...	...	...	181	14	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31s. *day of January* 1863.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 14

Statement showing the number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the amount of Fees realized thereon during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858 1859, 1860, 1861 *and* 1862, *together with the progressive increase and decrease in each year.*

Year.	Number of Causes instituted	Increase of Causes in each Year.	Decrease of Causes in each Year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each Year.			Decrease of Fees in each Year.		
				RS.	A.	P.				RS.	A.	P.
1851	23,668	... ..	.....	37,417	7	0	...	...	...	...	..	...
1852	24,392	724	.....	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	...	...	...
1853	25,192	800	.....	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	...	...	...
1854	26,483	1,291	.....	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	...	...	...
1855	26,199	.....	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	...	...	...
1856	23,869	.....	3,330	43,6 2	14	6	...	..	...	8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	... ...	5,195	36,909	10	6	...	...	...	6,773	4	...
1858	18,020	346	.....	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	...	...	...	...
1859	18,374	354	.....	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	...	..	..
1860	19,778	1,404	.....	61,294	8	3	8,694	8	3	...	...	...
1861	23,054	3,276	.....	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	...	...	...
1862	22,345	.....	709	76,122	...	10	...	...		14,926	...	8
	... ...	.....	... ...									

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st day of January* 1863.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

RETURN OF CASES

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MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

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No. 5.

FROM THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

TO THE HONORABLE A J. ARBUTHNOT, ESQ, *Chief Secretary to Government,*

Fort Saint George

SIR,

We have the honor to forward, for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council, the Thirteenth Annual Report of the business of the MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES for the year terminating on the 31st December last.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servants,

(Signed) LIONEL U. STEELE,
(„) G E. COWER,
(„) C RUNGANADA SASTRY } *Judges.*

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
9th February 1861

No.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

Months	1			2	3	4
	Number of Suits instituted.					
	English.	Native.	Total.	The English cases bear to the Native cases the ratio of.	Number of Summonses issued.	Number of second and further Summonses issued.
1863.						
January	160	1,403	1,563	1 to 8 768	1,935	425
February...	234	1,457	1,691	1 to 6 226	1,998	322
March	253	1,520	1,773	1 to 6 007	2,136	442
April	282	1,447	1,729	1 to 5·131	2,080	477
May	244	1,519	1,763	1 to 6 225	2,029	376
June	262	1,301	1,563	1 to 4 965	2,008	473
July	405	1,800	2,205	1 to 4 444	2,585	563
August	158	1,103	1,261	1 to 6 981	1,497	358
September	326	1,476	1,802	1 to 4 527	2,191	582
October	269	1,403	1,672	1 to 5 215	2,025	464
November	250	1,324	1,574	1 to 5 296	1,912	614
December	212	1,132	1,344	1 to 5 339	1,500	536
Total..	3,055	16,885	19,940	1 to 5·527	23,962	5,632

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of the Thirteenth year of its Institution, namely, from January to December 1863

5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			15	16
									Appearances of parties to Suits				
Number of Subpœnas issued	Number of attachments issued.	Number of Warrants issued.	Number of Judge's Warrants issued.	Number of Copies of Judgments issued.	Number of Commitments issued.	Number of Releases issued.	Number of cases referred to Arbitration.	Number of Warrants to sue and defend filed.	By Attorneys and Barristers.	By Vakeels.	In person	Number of days in which the Court was opened	Average number of Suits instituted daily
1,406	...	648	...	9	...	6	4	137	53	84	1,426	21	74 428
1,402	...	698	1	14	...	22	11	82	22	60	1,609	21	80 523
1,448	...	704	2	12	...	13	10	146	68	78	1,627	22	80 5909
1,356	..	631	4	10	...	7	9	115	31	84	1,614	19	91
1,500	...	766	6	15	...	17	5	51	24	27	1,712	22	80 136
1,415	...	696	3	7	1	22	8	80	37	43	1,483	20	78 15
1,639	...	855	6	21	1	12	11	200	91	109	2,005	27	81 666
1,065	...	392	...	8	...	12	10	118	61	57	1,143	16	78 812
1,879	...	744	..	11	...	21	15	86	30	56	1,716	25	72 08
1,074	...	756	1	4	1	13	25	100	36	64	1,572	25	66 88
1,665	...	710	...	19	...	16	19	87	53	34	1,487	24	65 583
1,061	..	568	2	9	1	11	19	60	27	33	1,284	19	70 736
17,516	...	8,168	25	139	4	172	146	1,262	533	729	18,678	261	76 398

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

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Months	Amount litigated in the Suits instituted			Graduated digest of Costs received on institution of								
				Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees		
1863	RS	A	P	RS	A	P	RS	A	P	RS	A	P
January	35,960	1	5	672	0	0	652	0	0	1,248	14	0
February . ..	35,991	14	5	822	1	0	633	3	0	1 290	0	0
March	43 033	0	9	761	4	0	791	12	0	1,488	2	0
April	42 121	3	9	780	12	0	688	0	0	1,482	8	0
May	40,780	8	1	813	14	0	760	0	0	1,500	12	0
June	38,752	10	3	734	8	0	629	6	0	1,216	2	0
July	54,342	1	2	997	0	0	900	2	0	1,577	14	0
August	31,401	5	4	546	0	0	582	0	0	1,016	10	0
September ..	43,185	2	10	871	14	0	795	8	0	1,397	4	0
October	45,981	7	7	750	2	0	734	12	0	1,404	8	0
November	43,101	12	11	719	8	0	629	8	0	1 435	8	0
December	30,569	8	5	600	0	0	638	10	0	1,047	4	0
Total	4,85,520	12	11	9 068	15	0	8,434	13	0	16,105	6	0

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of the Thirteenth year of its Institution, namely, from January to December 1863

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Suits, but of which portions have been returned to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases before hearing.

Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Total		
Rs	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P
1,186	10	0	1,078	2	0	413	0	0	363	0	0	85	12	0	5,699	6	0
1,012	13	0	1,096	6	0	663	2	0	190	8	0	323	4	0	6,031	5	0
1,240	14	0	1,305	6	0	678	6	0	296	10	0	138	2	0	6,700	8	0
1,217	4	0	1,248	8	0	684	10	0	276	6	0	259	2	0	6,637	2	0
1,211	8	0	962	8	0	577	4	0	383	10	0	236	12	0	6,446	4	0
1,114	7	0	1,027	2	0	581	12	0	582	2	0	319	6	0	6,204	13	0
1,485	10	0	1,389	14	0	508	2	0	393	14	0	371	4	0	7,625	12	0
1,169	10	0	1,008	14	0	363	14	0	294	0	0	68	8	0	5,049	8	0
1,028	12	0	1,281	8	0	720	8	0	385	10	0	599	8	0	7,080	8	0
1,230	8	0	1 249	4	0	845	4	0	454	4	0	576	12	0	7,245	6	0
1,096	10	0	1,200	14	0	895	6	0	453	10	0	580	6	0	7 011	6	0
883	12	0	755	6	0	309	8	0	253	2	0	380	0	0	4,867	10	0
13,878	6	0	13,603	12	0	7,240	12	0	4,328	12	0	3,938	12	0	76,599	8	0

No.

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

Months.	19					
	Graduated digest of Cases instituted					
	Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rs. 10, not above Rs. 20.	Above Rs. 20, not above Rs. 50.	Above Rs. 50, not above Rs. 100.	Above Rs. 100, not above Rs. 200.	Above Rs. 200, not above Rs. 300.
1863.						
January	879	274	237	101	51	12
February	996	264	256	92	51	22
March	940	339	291	111	64	20
April...	963	282	287	104	63	20
May...	1,001	311	274	104	45	17
June...	891	263	227	98	50	17
July.	1,290	380	315	126	65	15
August.	657	249	190	101	48	9
September	1,030	327	260	84	61	22
October	889	312	265	104	60	24
November	858	258	268	94	54	24
December..	731	267	207	82	37	9
Total...	11,125	3,526	3,077	1,201	649	211

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of the Thirteenth year of its Institution, namely, from January to December 1863

			20						
during the year.			Disposal of Suits set down for hearing during the months opposite to which the numbers stand						
Above Rs 300 not above Rs. 400	Above Rs. 400 not above Rs. 500	Total	Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non suited.	Struck off	Compromised.	Undecided	Total
8	1	1,563	843	61	75	21	509	...	1,509
4	6	1,691	803	44	53	10	633	..	1,543
6	2	1 773	951	53	61	6	594	.	1,665
6	4	1,729	921	58	58	15	633	...	1,685
8	3	1,763	835	38	80	15	603	...	1,571
12	5	1,563	903	38	85	16	510	...	1,552
8	6	2,205	1,080	51	86	14	780	.	2,011
6	1	1,261	589	24	26	8	493	..	1,140
8	10	1,802	1,070	57	67	14	584	...	1,792
9	9	1,672	894	44	66	29	628	..	1,661
9	9	1 574	757	48	56	15	587	...	1,463
5	6	1,344	669	35	32	11	586	182	1,515
89	62	19,940	10 315	551	745	174	7,140	182	19,107

No

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes,

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Months	Amount carried to credit of Government on account of Fees											
	Fees on institution of Summonses.			Second and further Summonses fees.			Subpœnas fees.			Warrants, Notices and Interpleader Summonses, fees &c.		
1863	RS	A	P	RS	A	P.	RS	A	P.	RS	A	P
January	5,144	8	0	114	12	0	440	2	0	303	4	0
February	5,483	9	0	133	14	0	413	14	0	378	5	0
March	6,139	2	0	143	14	0	417	8	0	560	14	4
April	6,123	4	0	125	6	0	388	8	0	340	11	6
May	5,852	12	0	159	8	0	434	0	0	415	8	6
June	5,614	7	0	192	4	0	398	2	0	407	13	0
July	6,980	10	0	207	8	0	437	10	0	450	5	0
August	4,580	6	0	144	14	0	324	4	0	221	11	0
September	6,372	4	0	203	8	0	504	12	0	398	4	0
October	6,522	4	0	190	6	0	532	12	0	398	6	0
November	6,204	12	0	219	4	0	587	6	0	395	7	6
December	4,432	4	0	126	6	0	309	0	0	317	10	0
Total	69,450	2	0	1,961	8	0	5,187	14	0	4,588	3	10

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of the Thirteenth year of its Institution, namely, from January to December 1863

deposited during the months opposite to which the amounts stand.

Fees realized in Pauper suits.			Total gross amount.			Amount of half costs.			Net amount carried to credit of Government.			Amount repaid to Suitors on account of compromised cases		
Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A	P.	Rs	A	P.	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P.
...	...	..	6,002	10	0	786	1	0	5,216	9	0	786	1	0
..	...	...	6,409	10	0	1,028	8	0	5,381	2	0	1,028	8	0
...	...	..	7,261	6	4	954	4	0	6,307	2	4	954	4	0
...	...	..	6,977	13	6	960	1	0	6,017	12	6	960	1	0
...	...		6,861	12	6	1,158	9	0	5,703	3	6	1,158	9	0
...	...	.	6,612	10	0	953	13	0	5,658	13	0	953	13	0
...	...	...	8,076	1	0	1,133	15	0	6,942	2	0	1,133	15	0
...	...	..	5,271	3	0	333	1	0	4,938	2	0	333	1	0
..	..	...	7,478	12	0	1,269	10	0	6,209	2	0	1,269	10	0
...	..	...	7,643	12	0	1,118	13	0	6 524	15	0	1 118	13	0
...	...	...	7,406	13	6	1,177	4	0	6,229	9	6	1,177	4	0
..	.	..	5,185	4	0	974	6	0	4,210	14	0	974	6	0
...	...	...	81,187	11	10	11,848	5	0	69,339	6	10	11,848	5	0

No. I.

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes, &c.—(Concluded)

Months.	23			24			25			26		
	Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Amount paid into Court by Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount paid out of Court to Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount of fines levied.		
1863	Rs.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.
January	...	...	.	5,732	1	1	5,798	12	2	25	0	0
February...	...	...	...	5,692	3	5	5,878	12	6	...	...	.
March	...	...	...	7,531	3	3	7 109	4	3	...	...	...
April...	...	...	...	6,403	3	11	6,878	15	4	...	...	...
May	...	...	..	7,159	2	9	7,502	11	6	...	..	...
June	...	...	...	6,165	4	10	6,258	13	3	...	...	...
July	...	...	...	8,364	9	3	7,887	15	2	...	...	...
August	..	...	. .	6,203	2	7	4,627	14	10	...	...	...
September...	...	...	...	6,349	3	9	7,681	4	5	...	...	...
October	...	..	...	7,322	1	3	6,350	9	7	...	...	...
November	...	...	...	6,090	9	3	6.482	14	6	...	...	...
December	...	...	...	6,230	3	7	6,179	3	1	...	...	...
Total..	...	...	...	70,243	1	1	78,632	2	7	25	0	0

MEMORANDUM

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1863, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays..... 52 days

New Year's day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension day, Her Majesty's Birth-day, and Christmas day..... 6 „

Hindoo and other Holidays scattered throughout the year..... 37 „

On account of the removal from the old to the present Court House premises..... 9 „

Total..... 104

The Court sat..... 261 „

Total..... 365 „

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 30th day of January 1864

(Signed) D. SHAW
Chief Clerk

No. 2.

Comparative Table of Causes heard and decided, from January to December 1862, *and from January to December* 1863.

	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1862	1863	1862	1863	1862	1863	1862	1863	1862	1863	1862	1863	1862	1863	1862	1863	1862	1863	1862	1863	1862	1863	1862	1863	1862.	1863.
Judgment for Plaintiff	1,015	843	914	803	900	951	730	921	1,227	835	912	903	1,044	1,080	1,075	589	1,110	1,070	1,089	894	1,052	757	873	669	11,941	10,315
Judgment for Defendant.	93	61	52	44	80	53	40	58	70	38	48	38	52	51	49	24	53	57	55	44	62	48	42	35	646	551
Non-suited and struck off	142	96	77	63	51	67	61	73	102	95	69	101	60	100	70	34	62	81	56	95	84	71	57	43	891	919
Compromised	795	509	604	633	564	594	613	633	811	603	654	510	704	780	669	493	778	584	728	628	663	587	469	586	8,057	7,140
Undecided	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	96	182	96	182
Total ..	2,045	1,509	1,647	1,543	1,515	1,665	1,444	1,685	2,210	1,571	1,683	1,552	1,860	2,011	1,863	1,140	2,003	1,792	1,928	1,661	1,866	1,463	1,537	1,515	21,631	19,107

MEMORANDUM.

Number of Causes heard and decided in 1862...21,631
Do. do. do. do. 1863...19,107

Decrease in 1863... 2,524

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
the 30th day of January 1864

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 3.

Return of Graduated Digest of Causes instituted from January to December 1863.

Year and Months.	Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500.	Total.
1863.									
January	879	274	287	101	51	12	8	1	1,563
February	996	264	256	92	51	22	4	6	1,691
March	940	339	291	111	64	20	6	2	1,773
April.	963	282	287	104	63	20	6	4	1,729
May	1,001	311	274	104	45	17	8	3	1,763
June...	891	263	227	98	50	17	13	5	1,563
July	1,290	380	315	126	65	15	8	6	2,205
August	657	249	190	101	48	9	6	1	1,261
September	1,030	327	260	84	61	22	8	10	1,902
October	889	312	265	104	60	24	9	9	1,672
November	858	258	268	94	54	24	9	9	1,574
December	731	267	207	82	37	9	5	6	1,344
Total...	11,125	3,526	3,077	1,201	669	211	89	62	19,940

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
the 30th day of January 1864.

(Signed) D. SHAW.
Chief Clerk.

No 4

A Statement of the Graduatal Digest of Costs of Summonses, from January to December 1863

Months.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 10			Fees and Costs under Rupees 20.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 50			Fees and Costs under Rupees 100			Fees and Costs under Rupees 200			Fees and Costs under Rupees 300			Fees and Costs under Rupees 400			Fees and Costs under Rupees 500			Total.		
1863	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P	RS.	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P	RS.	A	P	Rs	A	P
January ...	672	0	0	652	0	0	1,248	14	0	1,186	10	0	1,078	2	0	413	0	0	363	0	0	85	12	0	5,699	6	0
February ...	822	1	0	633	3	0	1,290	0	0	1,012	13	0	1,096	6	0	663	2	0	190	8	0	323	4	0	6,031	5	0
March	761	4	0	791	12	0	1,488	2	0	1 240	14	0	1,305	6	0	678	6	0	296	10	0	138	2	0	6,700	8	0
April	780	12	0	685	0	0	1,482	8	0	1,217	4	0	1,248	8	0	684	10	0	276	6	0	259	2	0	6,637	2	0
May	813	14	0	760	0	0	1,500	12	0	1,211	8	0	962	8	0	577	4	0	383	10	0	236	12	0	6,446	4	0
June	734	8	0	629	6	0	1,216	2	0	1,114	7	0	1,027	2	0	581	12	0	582	2	0	319	6	0	6,204	13	0
July	997	0	0	900	2	0	1,577	14	0	1,485	10	0	1,389	14	0	508	2	0	395	14	0	371	4	0	7,625	12	0
August	546	0	0	582	0	0	1,016	10	0	1,169	10	0	1,008	14	0	363	14	0	294	0	0	68	8	0	5,049	8	0
September	871	14	0	795	8	0	1,397	4	0	1,028	12	0	1,281	8	0	720	8	0	385	10	0	599	8	0	7,080	8	0
October ...	750	2	0	734	12	0	1 404	8	0	1,230	8	0	1,249	4	0	845	4	0	454	4	0	576	12	0	7 245	6	0
November	719	8	0	629	8	0	1,435	8	0	1,096	10	0	1,200	14	0	895	6	0	453	10	0	580	6	0	7,011	6	0
December	600	0	0	638	10	0	1,047	4	0	883	12	0	755	6	0	309	8	0	253	2	0	380	0	0	4,867	10	0
Total	9,068	13	0	8,434	13	0	16,105	6	0	13,878	6	0	13,603	12	0	7,240	12	0	4,328	12	0	3,938	12	0	76,599	8	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES
the 30th day of January 1864

(Signed) D SHAW
Chief Clerk

No 5.

A Statement shewing the number of Causes remaining undecided on the 31st December 1863.

For want of Service.	Number of Causes postponed					
	For Plaintiffs or Defendants or for parties witnesses.	For attachment.	At the request of Plaintiffs or Defendants or both parties.	By order of Court.	Total	Remarks
...	33	...	6	143	102	

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
the 30th day of January 1864

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 6.

Abstract Statement of Causes heard and how disposed of with the Commission and Fees leviable thereon from January to December 1863.

Months.	Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suited.	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.	Commission and Fees.		
1863										
January...	843	61	75	21	509	...	1,509	5,216	9	0
February	803	44	53	10	633	...	1,543	5,381	2	0
March	951	53	61	6	594	...	1,665	6,307	2	4
April...	921	58	58	15	633	...	1,685	6,017	12	6
May...	835	38	80	15	603	...	1,571	5,703	3	6
June	903	38	85	16	510	..	1,552	5,668	13	0
July...	1,080	51	86	14	780	...	2,011	6,942	2	0
August	589	24	26	8	493	...	1,140	4 938	2	0
September...	1,070	57	67	14	584	...	1,792	6,209	2	0
October	894	44	66	29	628	...	1,661	6,524	15	0
November...	757	48	56	15	587	...	1,463	6,229	9	6
December	669	35	32	11	586	182	1,515	4,210	14	0
Total...	10,315	551	745	174	7,140	182	19,107	69.389	6	10

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
the 30th day of January 1864.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk

No 7

A Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized and credited in the Cash Account from January 1862 to December 1863, prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court, and rendered to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Bank of Madras

Months.	1862. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of suits			On account of Fees received on the issue of distraint process.			Total.		
1862	Rs.	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P
January...	6,009	11	0	...	...	..	6,009	11	0
February ..	6,346	8	6	.	...	..	6,346	8	6
March	6,767	10	0	...	.	..	6,767	10	0
April	5,668	2	4	...	...	..	5,668	2	4
May	6,285	15	6	...	..	...	6,285	15	6
June	7,381	12	6	...	...		7,381	12	6
July...	6,282	5	0	...	..		6 282	5	0
August..	7,071	6	6	.	.	...	7,071	6	6
September	6,694	6	6	...	. .	.	6,694	6	6
October	6 690	3	6	.	.	..	6,690	3	6
November	6,190	8	6	...	.	...	6,190	8	6
December	4,733	7	0	...	...	...	4,733	7	0
Total .	76,122	0	10	...	...	..	76,122	0	10

Months.	1863. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of suits			On account of Fees received on the issue of distraint process.			Total.			Total increase of Fees in 1863			Total decrease of Fees in 1863			Remarks.
1863	Rs.	A	P	Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P.	Rs	A	P	
January	5,216	9	0	...	...	..	5,216	9	0	...	...	...	793	2	0	
Febuary	5,381	2	0	...	...	..	5,381	2	0	...	..	...	965	6	6	
March	6,307	2	4	...	..	..	6,307	2	4	. .	.	.	460	7	8	
April	6,017	12	6	...		. .	6,017	12	6	349	10	2	...	.	...	
May	5,703	3	6	...	.	..	5,703	3	6	.		. .	582	12	0	
June	5,658	13	0	. .	...	...	5,658	13	0	...	...	...	1,722	15	6	
July	6,942	2	0	...	...	...	6,942	2	0	659	13	0		...	...	
August..	4,938	2	0	...	...	..	4,938	2	0	. .		...	2,133	4	6	
September	6,209	2	0	...	..	...	6,209	2	0			...	485	4	6	
October	6,524	15	0	...	...	.	6,524	15	0			...	165	4	6	
November	6,229	9	6	...	.	...	6,229	9	6	39	1	0	. .	...	..	
December	4,210	14	0	...	...	..	4,210	14	0	.		...	522	9	0	
Total...	69,339	6	10	..	...	...	69,339	6	10	1,048	8	2	7,831	2	2	

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES
the 30th day of January 1864

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk

No. 8.

Abstract Statement of Sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their demands from January to December 1863

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P.
Balance on hand Rupees.....	...	...	...	13,487	15	11	By Cash paid to Plaintiffs, &c., for Causes decreed in January 1863.	5,798	12	2			
To Cash received on Causes decreed in January 1863.	5,732	1	1				Do. do. do. February do.	5,878	12	6			
Do. do. do. February do.	5,692	3	5				Do. do. do. March do.	7,109	4	3			
Do. do. do. March do.	7,531	3	3				Do. do. do. April do.	6,873	15	4			
Do. do. do. April do.	6,403	3	11				Do. do. do. May do	7,502	11	6			
Do. do. do. May do	7,159	2	9				Do. do. do. June do.	6,258	13	3			
Do. do. do. June do	6,165	4	10				Do. do. do. July do.	7,887	15	2			
Do. do. do. July do.	8,364	9	3				Do. do. do. August do.	4,627	14	10			
Do. do. do. August do.	6,203	2	7				Do. do. do. September do	7,681	4	5			
Do. do do. September do.	6,349	3	9				Do. do do. October do	6,350	9	7			
Do. do. do. October do.	7,322	1	5				Do. do. do. November do.	6,482	14	6			
Do. do. do. November do.	6,090	9	3				Do. do. do. December do	6,179	3	1			
Do do. do. December do	6,230	3	7								78,632	2	7
				79,243	1	1	Balance carried to next Account.....	.....	...	..	14,098	14	5
Total Rupees..				92,731	1	0	Total Rupees.....				92,731	1	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
the 30th day of January 1864

(Signed) D SHAW.
Chief Clerk.

No 9.

Abstract of the particulars of demand from January to December 1863.

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered	Other goods sold and delivered.	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes	Wages	Work and labor	Work and labor and materials.	For money paid.	For money lent.	For money had and received	On an account stated.	For use and occupation.	On Judgment.	Guarantee.	Partnership balance	Other actions in assumpsit.	Trover.	Case	Trespass.	Assault	Replevin.	Interpleader	Recovery of small tenements.	Ejectment	Against Executors	Covenant.	Total.
1863.																										
January	234	279	344	60	20	9	100	106	27	10	203	74	12	16	69	40	...	0	0	...	18	..	18	0	16	1,655
February	155	524	365	49	8	9	38	111	12	13	117	40	8	8	185	50	...	10	3	...	6	...	9	9	17	1,746
March	216	513	440	42	16	1	59	138	14	2	144	51	4	3	115	59	...	0	0	...	8	...	3	0	4	1,832
April	199	418	477	28	17	0	49	138	8	45	117	38	8	0	124	68	...	3	0	...	0	...	15	0	15	1,767
May	203	481	421	35	27	0	32	133	12	0	128	55	5	0	207	50	...	18	1	...	3	...	10	2	0	1,823
June	199	331	394	35	27	6	54	156	9	12	135	44	12	3	107	56	...	6	2	...	4	...	15	1	4	1,612
July	253	609	461	94	81	22	58	164	18	31	187	56	10	0	119	71	...	10	4	...	8	...	11	1	2	2,270
August	137	3 0	233	47	35	6	34	97	10	12	112	36	6	3	123	36	...	8	2	...	7	...	10	0	0	1,304
September	185	432	467	57	24	2	58	184	13	7	179	52	11	3	86	63	...	3	4	...	4	...	18	1	6	1,859
October	154	333	422	58	27	2	52	157	13	13	186	51	18	5	124	72	...	6	1	...	2	...	20	8	9	1,733
November	141	355	385	49	29	7	49	134	13	16	148	48	7	4	151	56	...	12	2	..	6	...	15	0	1	1,628
December	100	328	317	39	17	3	35	138	10	11	109	15	7	3	159	51	...	11	0	.	2	...	6	0	0	1,361
Total...	2,176	4,953	4,726	593	328	67	618	1,656	159	172	1,765	560	108	48	1,569	672	..	87	19	...	68	...	150	22	74	20,590

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES, *the 30th day of January* 1864

(Signed) D. SHAW
Chief Clerk.

No. 10.

Statement of Causes instituted in the Distraint Department from January to December 1863, *with the amount of Rent sued for, the gross amount of costs deposited, and the amount of costs credited to Government.*

Months.	Compromised before appraisement	Executed by sale.	Dismissed before appraisement.	Unexecuted.	Compromised after appraisement.	Dismissed after appraisement.	Total number of Causes	Amount of Rent sued for.	Gross amount of costs deposited	Amount of costs credited to Government.	Amount of Subpœna Fees.	Total amount credited to Government.
1863.												
January...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
February	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
March...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
April...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
May	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
June...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
July	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
August	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
September	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
October...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
November	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
December...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
the 30th day of January 1864

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 11.

Statement shewing the Amount of Fines levied from January to December 1863

Year.	Month.	Amount.		
		RS.	A.	P.
1863	January	25	0	0
„	February			
„	March			
„	April			
„	May			
„	June			
„	July			
„	August			
„	September			
„	October			
„	November			
„	December			
	Total	25	0	0

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(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 12.

Statement shewing the Monthly Salaries of three Judges and of the Establishment.

Monthly Salary of the						Establishment			Total.		
Senior Judge.			Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each.								
RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P	RS	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P
1,500	0	0	2,000	0	0	2,744	8	0	4	8	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES, *the 30th day of January* 1864

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 13.

Abstract Statement of Unrecovered Costs, from January to December 1863.

Months.	Pauper Suits.			Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be paupers.			Costs of attachment ordered but not taken out by parties.			Fees of second and further Summonses not being taken out by parties.			Costs of Warrants ordered against witnesses but not called for.			Total.		
1863.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	2	0	...	...	...	6	2	0
February	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	4	0	...	...	...	7	4	0
March	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	0	0	...	...	...	9	0	0
April	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	2	0	...	...	...	6	2	0
May...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	2	0	...	...	...	8	2	0
June	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	5	10	0	...	...	...	5	10	0
July...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	4	0	...	...	...	17	4	0
August..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	10	0	0	...	...	...	10	0	0
September. ...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	12	12	0	...	...	...	12	12	0
October.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21	10	0	...	...	...	21	10	0
November. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	45	9	0	...	...	...	45	9	0
December	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	145	2	0	...	...	...	145	2	0
Total...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	294	9	0	...	...	...	294	9	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES, *the 30th day of January 1864.*

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 14.

Statement showing the number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes, and the amount of Fees realized thereon during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862 *and* 1863, *together with the progressive increase and decrease in each year.*

Year.	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each Year.	Decrease of Causes in each Year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each Year			Decrease of Fees in each Year.		
				Rs.	A.	P	Rs	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1851	23,668	0	0	37,417	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1852	24,392	724	0	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	0	0	0
1853	25,192	800	0	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	0	0	0
1854	26,483	1,291	0	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	0	0	0
1855	26,199	0	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	0	0	0
1856	22,869	0	3,330	43,682	14	6	0	0	0	8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	0	5,195	36,909	10	6	0	0	0	6,773	4	0
1858	18,020	346	0	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	0	0	0
1859	18,374	354	0	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	0	0	0
1860	19,778	1,404	0	63,294	8	3	8,694	6	3	0	0	0
1861	23,054	3,276	0	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	0	0	0
1862	22,345	0	709	76,122	0	10	0	0	0	14,926	0	8
1863	19,940	0	2,405	69,364	6	10	0	0	0	6,757	10	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES, *the 30th day of January 1864.*

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

RETURN OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1864.

PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.

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1865.

No. 5.

FROM THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

TO THE HONORABLE A. J. ARBUTHNOT, *Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.*

SIR,

We have the honor to forward, for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council, the Fourteenth Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the year which terminated on the 31st December last.

2. We are glad to be able to report favorably as to the working of the Court for the last year. Notwithstanding the increased expenditure attendant on the augmentation of the jurisdiction of the Court, the amount of Commission and Fees realized and credited to Government has been almost equal in amount to the expenses of the Court. There is only a deficiency of Rupees six hundred and fifty, Annas thirteen and Pice five (650-13-5) for the year, as appears from the following statement of receipts and expenses:—

Amount credited to Government, Rupees	78,275	14	6
Expenses of the Court.. ... ... „	78,926	11	11
Deficiency ... „	650	13	5

3. The number of Causes instituted during the year has exceeded, by eight hundred and forty-one, the number instituted during the preceding year, as appears by the following comparative statement:—

Number of Causes instituted in 1863 . . .	19,940
Ditto. ditto. in 1864...	20,781
Excess	841

4. Since the augmentation of the jurisdiction of the Court in May last, there have been instituted (under the increased jurisdiction) sixty-two (62) Causes over Rupees five hundred (500). During the same period, the Court has been more than self-supporting, inasmuch as the amount of Commission and Fees realized and credited to Government has been in excess of the expenditure to the extent of Rupees one-thousand and twelve, Annas three and Pice two (1,012-3-2), as is shown as follows:—

Amount credited to Government, Rupees	54,783	12	6
Expenses of the Court „	53,771	9	4
Excess... „	1,012	3	2

We have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servants,

(Signed) LIONEL U. STEELE,
(„) G. E. COWER,
(„) C. RUNGANADA SASTRY,
} Judges.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
14th February 1865.

No.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes

Months.	1			2	3	4
	Number of Suits instituted.			The English cases bear to the Native cases the ratio of	Number of Summonses issued	Number of second and further Summonses issued.
	English	Native.	Total.			
1864.						
January	271	1,289	1,560	1 to 4·756	1,910	465
February...	276	1,550	1,826	1 to 5·615	2,179	477
March...	203	1,352	1,555	1 to 6·660	1,817	452
April...	237	1,577	1,814	1 to 6·654	2,143	467
May	282	1,320	1,602	1 to 4·680	1,902	344
June	249	1,426	1,675	1 to 5·726	2,120	314
July	254	1,825	2,079	1 to 7·185	2,415	606
August	263	1,589	1,852	1 to 6·041	2,380	587
September...	230	1,539	1,769	1 to 6·691	2,223	605
October	245	1,450	1,695	1 to 5·918	2,042	465
November...	343	1,494	1,837	1 to 4·355	2,083	515
December...	222	1,295	1,517	1 to 5·833	1,795	405
Total... ...	3,075	17,706	20,781	1 to 5·758	25,009	5,702

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			15	16
									Appearances of parties to Suits				
Number of Subpœnas issued.	Number of Attachments issued.	Number of Warrants issued.	Number of Judge's Warrants issued.	Number of copies of Judgments issued.	Number of Commitments issued.	Number of Releases issued.	Number of cases referred to Arbitration.	Number of Warrants to sue and defend filed.	By Attorneys and Barristers.	By Vakeels.	In person.	Number of days in which the Court was opened.	Average number of Suits instituted daily.
1,364	...	631	1	16	1	7	23	114	29	85	1,446	20	78
1,449	...	712	1	11	...	6	19	127	52	75	1,699	24	76·083
1,424	...	516	1	9	...	10	12	110	63	47	1,445	19	81·842
1,488	...	720	...	14	...	13	11	102	41	61	1,712	23	78·869
1,308	...	640	2	8	...	16	29	92	24	68	1,510	21	76 285
1,298	...	644	2	5	1	17	35	18	14	4	1,657	22	76·136
2,093	1	728	1	12	1	13	19	86	37	49	1,995	26	79·961
1,987	1	649	2	4	...	11	35	120	39	81	1,732	25	74·08
2,186	1	666	1	5	...	6	23	103	43	60	1,666	25	70·76
2,182	...	653	1	5	1	11	27	104	76	28	1,591	24	70 625
1,538	...	673	2	9	...	15	37	93	62	31	1,744	25	73·48
1,282	...	688	...	4	...	18	27	108	103	5	1,409	20	75·85
19,597	3	7,870	14	102	4	142	298	1,177	583	594	19,604	274	75·843

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes

Months.	17											
	Amount litigated in the Suits instituted.			Graduated digest of Costs received on Institution of								
				Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees.		
1864.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January...	35,964	8	5	716	10	0	663	14	0	1,291	0	0
February...	46,916	13	0	859	10	0	708	8	0	1,427	2	0
March	38,430	12	7	729	12	0	647	10	0	1,324	0	0
April	43,574	13	9	825	10	0	686	10	0	1,591	6	0
May...	45,962	5	1	705	6	0	663	8	0	1,390	10	0
June	41,674	14	10	747	4	0	746	10	0	1,376	12	0
July...	58,654	4	7	924	2	0	851	4	0	1,687	12	0
August	53,579	7	7	795	10	0	789	0	0	1,045	2	0
September	55,449	10	4	741	0	0	766	12	0	1,515	12	0
October...	54,157	4	0	698	6	0	732	14	0	1,445	2	0
November	54,389	5	6	794	10	0	758	12	0	1,472	4	0
December	46,584	4	1	687	14	0	655	6	0	1,177	8	0
Total...	5,75,338	7	9	9,225	14	0	8,670	12	0	17,344	6	0

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Suits, but of which portions have been returned to Suitors who may have compromised their cases before hearing.

Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees.		
RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.
975	6	0	695	14	0	737	10	0	501	4	0	203	2	0	...	...	...
1,237	4	0	1 381	2	0	653	8	0	284	4	0	516	10	0	...	...	...
915	6	0	1,064	6	0	615	12	0	525	6	0	187	6	0	...	...	...
1,364	4	0	1,293	12	0	537	12	0	368	6	0	317	10	0	...	...	...
972	4	0	1,186	0	0	693	12	0	187	10	0	319	12	0	136	11	0
1,178	14	0	961	8	0	369	6	0	384	12	0	317	4	0	205	5	0
1,702	4	0	1,262	4	0	756	12	0	290	6	0	678	10	0	297	2	0
1,441	0	0	1,433	0	0	729	0	0	688	10	0	545	6	0	135	14	0
1,423	14	0	1,251	14	0	975	4	0	670	6	0	483	3	0	182	12	0
1,645	14	0	1,189	8	0	1,204	2	0	508	2	0	302	4	0	221	5	0
1,498	14	0	1,259	4	0	427	10	0	454	2	0	392	4	0	91	2	0
1,057	2	0	938	8	0	587	12	0	593	8	0	451	0	0	207	7	0
15,412	6	0	13,917	0	0	8,288	4	0	5,406	12	0	4,714	7	0	1,477	10	0

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes

Months	18														
	Graduated digest of Costs, &c.—(Concluded.)														
	Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 800 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rupees.			Total.		
1864.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January..... ...,...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	,,,	.	,,,	5,784	12	0
February.....	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	,,,	7,068	0	0
March	...	...	...	...	...	,,,	,,,	...	..	,,,	...	...	6,009	10	0
April.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	,,,	...	...	...	..	..	6,985	6	0
May.....	76	7	0	...	...	,,,	...	...	...	96	13	0	6,428	13	0
June.....	77	8	0	82	7	0	...	...	...	3	4	0	6,450	14	0
July.....	75	3	0	...	...	..	87	7	0	288	7	0	8,901	9	0
August.....	40	0	0	84	0	0	185	3	0	...	...	...	8,461	13	0
September...	157	4	0	95	15	0	184	6	0	6	8	0	8,454	14	0
October.....	2	8	0	78	13	0	54	0	0	302	15	0	8,386	13	0
November	539	8	0	79	11	0	87	6	0	103	10	0	7,939	1	0
December,.....	220	8	0	243	8	0	175	13	0	...	...	...	6,995	14	0
Total...	1,188	14	0	664	6	0	774	3	0	802	9	0	87,887	7	0

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Graduated digest of Cases instituted during the year.

Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rs. 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rs. 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rs. 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rs. 400, not above Rupees 500.	Above Rs. 500, not above Rupees 600.	Above Rs. 600, not above Rupees 700.	Above Rs. 700, not above Rupees 800.	Above Rs. 800, not above Rupees 900.	Above Rs. 900, not above Rs. 1,000.	Total.
838	277	245	81	33	22	11	3	...	...	...	...	...	1,560
1,044	297	278	110	63	19	6	9	...	...	...	...	...	1,826
862	270	259	82	50	18	11	3	...	...	...	...	...	1,555
1,018	297	290	122	59	16	8	4	...	...	...	...	...	1,814
879	281	254	90	57	25	4	8	2	1	...	...	1	1,602
929	308	257	107	45	11	8	5	3	1	1	...	...	1,675
1,126	366	328	149	61	23	6	11	4	1	...	1	3	2,079
947	350	311	126	68	22	14	8	2	1	1	2	...	1,852
915	323	290	125	60	28	12	8	3	2	1	2	..	1,769
858	301	276	146	57	35	10	5	3	...	1	...	3	1,695
976	339	288	133	61	13	9	6	1	8	1	1	1	1,837
841	274	223	87	44	18	12	7	3	3	3	2	...	1,517
11,283	3,683	3,299	1,353	658	250	111	77	21	1	8	8	8	20,781

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes

Months	20						
	Disposal of Suits set down for hearing during the months opposite to which the numbers stand.						
	Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Nonsuited	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.
1864..							
January	715	156	91	52	716	...	1,730
February	820	39	61	9	630	...	1,559
March...	749	39	55	18	555	...	1,416
April...	926	45	74	14	681	...	1,740
May	767	31	44	8	560	...	1,410
June	831	51	56	17	634	...	1,589
July	1,017	40	56	8	778	...	1,899
August	962	50	43	11	713	...	1,779
September...	856	53	57	8	626	...	1,600
October	882	28	60	15	657	...	1,642
November...	918	42	64	29	701	...	1,754
December	769	28	55	10	585	233	1,080
Total...	10,212	602	716	199	7,836	233	19,798

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Amount carried to credit of Government on account of Fees deposited during the months opposite to which the amounts stand.

Fees on institution of Summonses.			Second and further Summonses fees.			Subpœnas fees			Warrants, Notices and Interpleader Summonses, Fees, &c.			Fees realised in Pauper Suits.			Total gross amount.			Amount of Half Costs			Net amount carried to credit of Government.		
RS.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P	RS.	A	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P
5,272	10	0	110	0	0	402	12	0	354	9	6	...	...	...	6,139	5	6	837	0	0	5,302	5	6
6,459	0	0	162	8	0	446	8	0	403	5	0	...	...	...	7,471	5	0	1,092	2	0	6,379	3	0
5,520	4	0	136	10	0	352	12	0	439	1	0	...	...	...	6,448	11	0	928	2	0	5,520	9	0
6,348	12	0	152	2	0	484	8	0	341	13	6	6	8	0	7,333	11	6	1,045	11	0	6,288	0	6
5,922	7	0	136	2	0	370	4	0	465	11	0	...	...	...	6,894	8	0	849	3	0	6,045	5	0
5,917	10	0	187	4	0	346	0	0	356	15	0	...	...	...	6,807	13	0	1,126	10	6	5,681	2	6
8,166	7	0	211	14	0	523	4	0	399	4	0	...	...	...	9,300	13	0	1,524	9	6	7,776	3	6
7,719	1	0	197	4	0	545	8	0	354	8	6	...	...	...	8,816	5	6	1,225	9	6	7,590	12	0
7,667	0	0	212	6	0	575	8	0	403	3	6	7	9	0	8,865	10	6	1,681	11	6	7,183	15	0
7,616	1	0	201	8	0	569	4	0	386	1	0	...	...	...	8,772	14	0	1,489	3	0	7,283	11	0
7,290	1	0	187	0	0	482	0	0	386	14	0	22	10	0	8,368	9	0	1,433	10	0	6,934	15	0
6,439	0	0	178	0	0	373	14	0	372	11	0	...	...	...	7,368	9	0	1,108	12	6	6,259	12	6
80,338	5	0	2,072	10	0	5,476	8	0	4,664	1	0	36	11	0	92,588	3	0	14,342	4	6	78,245	14	6

No. 1.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes, &c.—(Concluded.)

Months.	22			23			24			25			26		
	Amount repaid to Suitors on account of compromised cases.			Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Amount paid into Court by Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount paid out of Court to Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount of fines levied.		
1864.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January...	837	0	0	...	...	...	6,341	8	0	5,433	2	10	...	...	..
February	1,092	2	0	...	..	...	6,340	12	5	6,491	7	9	...	...	.
March	928	2	0	...	...	..	5,780	0	10	6,418	11	11	...	..	..
April	1,045	11	0	...	..	...	6,325	12	2	6,184	2	5	2	0	0
May	849	3	0	...	..	...	6,150	2	5	6,013	5	0	...	...	...
June	1,126	10	6	...	..	...	5,519	10	4	5,838	5	4	...	...	...
July	1,524	9	6	...	...	..	8,843	10	3	7,980	12	3	...	...	...
August...	1,225	9	6	...	...	...	8,279	12	10	8,022	15	2	...	...	...
September	1,681	11	6	...	...	...	8,233	6	5	7,450	11	0	...	...	...
October...	1,489	3	0	...	...	...	5,696	13	3	5,644	3	11	3	0	0
November	1,433	10	0	...	...	...	7,885	10	4	8,049	0	3	25	0	0
December	1,108	12	6	...	..	..	7,766	9	7	7,710	1	0	...	...	...
Total... ...	14,342	4	6	...	...	...	83,193	13	10	81,237	5	1	30	0	0

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1864, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays ... ... 52 days.

New year's day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension day, Her Majesty's Birthday, and Christmas day ... ... 6 „

Hindoo and other Holidays scattered throughout the year ... ... 34 „

Total... ... 92 „

The Court sat... ... 274 „

Total... ... 366 „

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 2.

Comparative Table of Causes heard and decided from January to December 1863, *and from January to December* 1864.

	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.	1863.	1864.
Judgment for Plaintiff... ...	843	715	808	820	951	749	921	926	835	767	903	831	1,090	1,017	589	962	1,070	856	894	882	757	918	669	769	10,315	10,212
Judgment for Defendant ...	61	156	44	39	53	39	58	45	38	31	38	51	51	40	24	50	57	53	44	28	48	42	35	28	551	602
Non-suited and struck off ...	96	143	63	70	67	73	73	88	95	52	101	73	100	64	24	54	81	65	95	75	71	93	43	65	919	915
Compromised...	509	716	633	630	594	555	633	681	603	560	510	634	780	778	493	713	584	626	628	657	587	701	586	555	7,146	7,836
Undecided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	192	233	182	233
Total	1,509	1,730	1,543	1,559	1,665	1,416	1,685	1,740	1,571	1,410	1,552	1,589	2,011	1,899	1,140	1,779	1,792	1,600	1,661	1,642	1,463	1,754	1,515	1,680	19,107	19,798

MEMORANDUM.

Number of Causes heard and decided in 1863..... 19,107
Number of Causes do. do. 1864..... 19,798
...
Increase in 1864..... 691
...

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 3.

Return of Graduated Digest of Causes instituted from January to December 1864.

Year and months.	Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10 not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20 not above Rupees 50	Above Rupees 50 not above Rupees 100	Above Rupees 100 not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200 not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300 not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400 not above Rupees 500.	Above Rupees 500 not above Rupees 600.	Above Rupees 600 not above Rupees 700.	Above Rupees 700 not above Rupees 800.	Above Rupees 800 not above Rupees 900.	Above Rupees 900 not above Rupees 1,000.	Total.
1864.														
January	588	277	245	81	33	22	11	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,560
February	1,044	297	278	110	63	19	6	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,826
March...	862	270	259	82	50	18	11	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,555
April	1,016	297	290	122	59	16	8	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,814
May	879	281	254	90	57	25	4	8	2	1	.....	.....	1	1,502
June	922	308	257	107	45	11	8	5	3	1	1	.....	.....	1,675
July	1,126	266	328	149	61	23	6	11	4	1	.....	1	3	2,079
August	947	350	311	126	68	22	14	8	2	1	1	2	.....	1,852
September	915	323	290	125	60	28	12	8	3	2	1	2	.....	1,769
October	858	301	276	146	57	35	10	5	3	.....	1	.....	3	1,695
November	976	339	288	133	61	13	9	6	1	3	1	1	1	1,837
December	841	274	223	87	44	18	12	7	3	3	3	2	.....	1,517
Total ...	11,283	3,683	3,299	1,358	658	250	111	77	21	17	8	8	8	20,781

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The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No 4.

A Statement of the Graduated Digest of costs of Summonses from January to December 1864.

Months	Fees and Costs under Rupees 10.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 20.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 50.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 100.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 200.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 300.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 400.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 500.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 600	Fees and Costs under Rupees 700	Fees and Costs under Rupees 800	Fees and Costs under Rupees 900	Fees and Costs under Rupees 1,000	Total.
1864.	Rs. A. P	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs A. P	Rs A. P	Rs A. P	Rs. A. P.	Rs A. P	Rs A. P
January	716 10 0	663 14 0	1,291 0 0	975 6 0	695 14 0	787 10 0	501 4 0	263 2 0	... ...	... .	... ...	... .	... .	5,784 12 0
February	859 10 0	703 8 0	1,427 2 0	1,237 4 0	1,381 2 0	653 8 0	284 4 0	516 10 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	... .	... .	7,068 0 0
March	729 13 0	647 10 0	1,324 0 0	915 6 0	1,064 6 0	615 12 0	525 6 0	187 6 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	... .	... .	6,009 0 0
April	825 10 0	686 10 0	1,591 6 0	1,364 4 0	1,293 12 0	537 12 0	368 6 0	17 10 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	6,985 10 0
May	705 6 0	663 8 0	1,390 10 0	972 4 0	1,186 0 0	693 12 0	187 10 0	319 12 0	136 11 0	76 7 0	... ...	... ...	96 13 0	6,428 13 0
June	747 4 0	746 10 0	1,376 12 0	1,178 14 0	961 8 0	360 6 0	384 12 0	317 4 0	205 5 0	77 8 0	82 7 0	... .	3 4 0	6,450 14 0
July	924 2 0	851 4 0	1,687 12 0	1,702 4 0	1,262 4 0	756 12 0	290 6 0	678 10 0	297 2 0	75 3 0	... ...	87 7 0	283 7 0	8,901 9 0
August	795 10 0	789 0 0	1,645 2 0	1,441 0 0	1,433 0 0	729 0 0	638 10 0	545 6 0	135 14 0	40 0 0	84 0 0	185 3 0	... .	8,461 13 0
September... ...	741 0 0	766 12 0	1,515 12 0	1,423 14 0	1,251 14 0	975 4 9	670 6 0	483 3 0	182 12 0	157 4 0	95 15 0	184 6 0	6 8 0	8,454 14 0
October	698 6 0	732 14 0	1,445 2 0	1,645 14 0	1,189 8 0	1,204 2 0	508 2 0	302 4 0	221 5 0	2 8 0	78 13 0	54 0 0	303 15 0	8,386 13 0
November	794 10 0	758 12 0	1,472 4 0	1,498 14 0	1,259 4 0	427 10 0	454 2 0	392 4 0	91 2 0	539 8 0	79 11 0	87 6 0	103 10 0	7,959 1 0
December	687 14 0	655 6 0	1,177 8 0	1,057 2 0	938 8 0	587 12 0	593 8 0	451 0 0	207 7 0	220 8 0	243 8 0	175 12 0	... .	6,995 14 0
Total ...	9,225 14 0	8,670 12 0	17,344 6 0	14,512 6 0	13,917 0 0	8,288 4 0	5,406 12 0	4,714 7 0	1,477 10 0	1,188 14 0	664 6 0	774 3 0	802 9 0	87,987 7 0

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The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 5.

A Statement showing the number of Causes remaining undecided on the 31st December 1864.

For want of Service.	Number of Causes postponed.					Remarks.
	For Plaintiff's, or Defendants, or for parties' witnesses.	For Attachment.	At the request of Plaintiffs, or Defendants, or both parties.	By order of Court.	Total	
...	41	...	4	188	233	...

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 6.

Abstract Statement of Causes heard, and how disposed of with the Commission, and Fees leviable thereon, from January to December 1864.

Months.	Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suited.	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.	Commission and Fees.		
1864.										
January...	715	156	91	52	716	...	1,730	5,302	5	6
February	820	39	61	9	630	...	1,559	6,379	3	0
March	719	39	55	18	555	...	1,416	5,520	9	0
April	926	45	74	14	681	...	1,740	6,288	0	6
May	767	31	44	8	560	...	1,410	6,045	5	0
June	831	51	56	17	634	...	1,589	5,681	2	6
July	1,017	40	56	8	778	...	1,899	7,776	3	6
August	962	50	43	11	713	...	1,779	7,590	12	0
September	856	53	57	8	626	...	1,600	7,183	15	0
October	882	28	60	15	657	...	1,642	7,283	11	0
November	918	42	64	29	701	...	1,754	6,934	15	0
December	769	28	55	10	585	233	1,680	6,259	12	6
Total... ...	10,212	602	716	199	7,836	233	19,798	78,245	14	6

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 7.

A Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized and credited in the Cash Account, from January 1863 to December 1864, prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court, and rendered to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Bank of Madras.

Months.	1863									Months	1864									Total increase of Fees in 1864			Total decrease of Fees in 1864.			Remarks
	On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint process.			Total.				On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint process			Total.									
1863.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	1864.	RS	A.	P	RS.	A P		RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	
January...	5,216	9	0	... ..	.		5,216	9	0	January...	5,302	5	6	.. ...	.....		5,302	5	6	85	12	6	.....	...	..	
February	5,381	2	0	.. ...		.	5,381	2	0	February...	6,379	3	0	.....	.....		6,379	3	0	998	1	0	.....	...	..	
March	6,307	2	4	.....		...	6,307	2	4	March	5,520	9	0	.....	.....		5,520	9	0	.....	.	...	786	9	4	
April	6,017	12	6	.....	..	...	6,017	12	6	April	6,288	0	6	.....	.....		6,288	0	6	270	4	0	.....	..	..	
May	5,703	3	6	.....	..	..	5,703	3	6	May...	6,045	5	0	.....	.....		6,045	5	0	342	1	6	.....	..	...	
June	5,658	13	0	.. ...	...	.	5,658	13	0	June	5,681	2	6	.....	.....		5,681	2	6	22	5	6	.....	..	...	
July	6,942	2	0	.....	.	...	6,942	2	0	July	7,776	3	6	.....	.....		7,776	3	6	834	1	6	... ..	...	..	
August	4,938	2	0	... ..	...	..	4,938	2	0	August	7,590	12	0	.....	...		7,590	12	0	2,652	10	0	.....	...	...	
September	6,209	2	0	.....	...	..	6,209	2	0	September	7,183	15	0	.....	...		7,183	15	0	974	13	0	.....	...	..	
October...	6,524	15	0	.....	...	...	6,524	15	0	October	7,283	11	0	.....	.	..	7,283	11	0	758	12	0	. ....	...	..	
November	6,229	9	6	.....	.	...	6,229	9	6	November	6,934	15	0	.....	..	..	6,934	15	0	705	5	6	.....	..	..	
December	4,210	14	0	.....	..	.	4,210	14	0	December	6,259	12	6	.....	..	...	6,259	12	6	2,048	14	6	... ..	...	...	
Total ..	69,339	6	10	.....	...	.	69,339	6	10	Total...	78,245	14	6	.....	.....		78,245	14	6	9,693	1	0	786	9	4	

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 8.

Abstract Statement of Sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their demands from January to December 1864.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A	P.
Balance on hand Rupees.....	...	...	...	14,098	14	5	By Cash paid to Plaintiffs, &c., for causes decreed in January 1864.	5,433	2	10			
To Cash received on causes decreed in January 1864.	6,341	8	0				Do. do. do. February do.	6,491	7	9			
Do. do. do. February do.	6,340	13	5				Do. do. do. March do.	6,418	11	11			
Do. do. do. March do.	5,780	0	10				Do. do. do. April do.	6,184	2	5			
Do. do. do. April do.	6,325	12	2				Do. do. do. May do.	6,013	5	0			
Do. do. do. May do.	6,150	2	5				Do. do. do. June do.	5,838	5	4			
Do. do. do. June do.	5,549	10	4				Do. do. do. July do.	7,980	12	6			
Do. do. do. July do.	8,843	10	3				Do. do. do. August do.	8,022	15	2			
Do. do. do. August do.	8,279	12	10				Do. do. do. September do.	7,450	11	0			
Do. do. do. September do.	8,233	6	5				Do. do. do. October do.	5,644	3	11			
Do. do. do. October do.	5,696	13	3				Do. do. do. November do.	8,049	6	3			
Do. do. do. November do.	7,885	10	4				Do. do. do. December do.	7,710	1	0			
Do. do. do. December do.	7,766	9	7								81,237	5	1
				83,193	13	10	Balance carried to next account...	.....	...	...	16,055	7	2
Total Rupees...	.....	...	...	97,292	12	3	Total Rupees...	... ...	...	...	97,292	12	3

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 9.

Abstract of the particulars of demand from January to December 1864.

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered	Other goods sold and delivered.	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes	Wages.	Work and labor	Work and labor and materials	For money paid	For money lent	For money had and received	On an account stated	For use and occupation	On judgment	Guarantee	Partnership balance	Other actions in Assumpsit	Trover	Case	Trespass	Assault	Replevin	Interpleaders	Recovery of Small Tenements	Ejectment	Against Executors	Covenant	Total
1864.																										
January	194	292	187	139	68	53	112	87	50	23	178	68	8	19	103	9 ..	9	12 ...	26	...	17	5	.	1,659
February	206	475	395	40	16	2	40	159	22	70	177	42	4	9	136	42 .	3	2 ..	6	...	14	..	13	1,874
March	178	424	356	42	16	...	52	96	11	10	109	44	4	13	173	49 .	5	4 ...	4	...	7	..		1,603
April...	154	544	385	41	25	...	39	167	15	52	144	26	3	5	133	63 .	5	3 ..	..	...	16	..	20	1,840
May	107	484	419	61	28	1	41	136	5	4	151	31	4	1	89	50 ..	3	3 ..	8	...	7	..	3	1,641
June	147	583	373	26	24	...	45	152	10	2	145	36	8	3	85	58	..	2 ...	23	...	7	...	5	1,734
July	179	596	475	36	19	7	48	157	10	1	214	53	7	2	263	48 .	5	3 ...	3	...	9	1	.	2,136
August	175	473	435	42	29	7	58	188	16	10	185	51	17	2	120	72 ...	2	4 ..	1	...	14	..	3	1,904
September...	157	448	384	52	20	24	46	111	36	14	131	37	11	21	223	58 ..	8	0 ..	6	...	11	...	14	1,812
October	180	375	405	60	38	10	72	154	9	5	157	53	9	6	130	62 ...	11	1	2	.	8	...	3	1,750
November...	173	491	462	66	23	10	50	122	17	21	100	44	14	6	206	49	.	4 ...	2	...	7	..	16	1,883
December...	181	503	293	47	24	14	28	136	22	8	145	29	10	4	36	41 ...	3	4	6	...	13	...	5	1,552
Total... ...	2,031	5,688	4,569	652	330	128	631	1,665	226	220	1,836	514	99	91	1,697	602 ...	57	42 ..	87	...	130	6	87	21,388

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 10.

Statement of Causes instituted in the Distraint Department from January to December 1864 with the amount of Rent sued for the gross amount of Costs deposited, and the amount of Costs credited to Government.

Months.	Compromised before Appraisement.	Executed by sale.	Dismissed before Appraisement.	Unexecuted.	Compromised after Appraisement.	Dismissed after Appraisement.	Total number of Causes.	Amount of Rent sued for.	Gross amount of costs deposited.	Amount of costs credited to Government.	Amount of Subpœna fees.	Total amount credited to Government.
1864.												
January.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
February	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
March...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
April	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
May	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
June	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
July	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
August	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
September...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
October	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
November...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
December...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

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The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No 11.

Statement showing the Amount of Fines levied from January to December 1864.

Year	Month	Amount Rs.	A	P.
1864.	January	...	.	..
,,	February	...	.	...
,,	March	...	.	
,,	April	2	0	0
,,	May	...	.	..
,,	June	...	...	...
,,	July	...	...	...
,,	August	...	...	
,,	September	...	..	.
,,	October	3	0	0
,,	November	25	0	0
,,	December	..	..	...
		30	0	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No 12.

Statement showing the monthly salaries of three Judges and of the Establishment.

Monthly salary of the First Judge			Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each			Establishment.			Total		
Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P
2,000	0	0	2,000	0	0	2,744	8	0	6,744	8	0

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The 31st day of January 1865

D SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 13.

Abstract Statement of unrecovered costs from January to December 1864.

Months.	Pauper Suits.			Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be paupers.			Costs of attachment ordered, but not taken out by parties.			Fees of second and further Summonses not being taken out by parties.			Costs of Warrants ordered against witnesses but not called for.			Total.		
1864.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	14	0	...	...	...	3	14	0
February ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	4	0	...	...	...	7	4	0
March	0	8	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	2	0	...	..	...	5	10	0
April	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	10	0	...	...	...	5	10	0
May	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	14	0	...	...	...	13	14	0
June	0	14	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	10	0	...	...	...	25	8	0
July	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	9	6	0	...	...	...	9	6	0
August... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	6	0	...	...	...	3	6	0
September ...	15	2	0	...	...	..	...	...	...	2	13	0	...	...	...	17	15	0
October... ...	18	2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	6	0	...	...	...	22	8	0
November ...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	14	0	...	...	...	6	14	0
December ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21	0	0	..	...	..	21	0	0
Total ..	34	10	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	108	3	0	...	...	...	142	13	0

Madras Court of Small Causes,
The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 14.

Statement showing the number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes, and the amount of Fees realized thereon during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863 *and* 1864, *together with the progressive increase and decrease in each year.*

Year.	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each year.	Decrease of Causes in each year	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each Year.			Decrease of Fees in each year		
				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P
1851	23,668	...	...	37,417	7	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
1852	24,392	724	...	43,349	2	3	5,831	11	3	...	...	...
1853	25,192	800	...	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	...	...	...
1854	26,483	1,291	...	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	...	...	...
1855	26,199	...	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	...	...	...
1856	22,869	...	3,330	43,682	14	6	...	...	...	8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	...	5,195	36,909	10	6	...	...	...	6,773	4	0
1858	18,020	346	...	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	...	...	.
1859	18,374	354	...	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	...	...	...
1860	19,778	1,404	...	63,294	8	3	8,694	6	3	...	...	...
1861	23,054	3,276	...	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	...	...	...
1862	22,345	...	709	76,122	0	10	...	...	...	14,926	0	8
1863	19,940	...	2,405	69,364	0	10	...	..	..	6,757	10	0
1864	20,781	841	..	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	...	..	...
	...A...	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	...	...	.....	...	...

Madras Court of Small Causes,
The 31st day of January 1865.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

RETURN OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1865.

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No. 11.

FROM THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

TO THE HONORABLE A. J. ARBUTHNOT, *Chief Secretary to Government,*
Fort Saint George.

SIR,

We have the honor to forward, for submission to his Excellency the Governor in Council, the Fifteenth Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the year which terminated on the 31st December last.

2. There is a deficiency of only Rupees four hundred and twenty-three, Annas seven, and Pice two (423-7-2) for the year, as compared with Rupees six hundred and fifty, Annas thirteen, and Pice five (650-13-5) of the preceding year, owing to the expenses of the Court being in excess of the amount of Commission and Fees realized and credited to Government, as appears from the following statement of receipts and expenses:—

Amount credited to Government, Rupees	80,583	6	2
Expenses of the Court .. .. „	81,006	13	4
Deficiency .. „	423	7	2

3. This deficiency, we would observe, is attributable to a decrease of four hundred and forty-six (446) Causes under Rupees ten (10) during the year, compared with the number under that amount instituted during the preceding year, as appears from the following statement; and this may be considered a healthy indication, as shewing a diminution of petty litigation:—

Causes under Rupees 10 in 1864...	11,283
Ditto ditto in 1865...	10,837
Decrease... ...	446

4. There is a decrease of four hundred and six (406) Causes during the year, compared with the number instituted during the preceding year, as appears by the following comparative statement:—

Number of Causes instituted in 1864...	20,781
Ditto ditto in 1865...	20,375
Decrease... ...	406

5. Although the number of Causes instituted during the year falls short of those instituted in the preceding year, still the number of Causes compromised in the former year exceeds those compromised in the latter by three hundred and eighty-three (383,) as appears by the following statement:—

Causes compromised in 1864...	7,836
Ditto ditto in 1865...	7,453
Decrease... ...	383

6. There have been ninety-four (94) Suits for sums over Rupees five hundred (500) instituted during the year, under the extended jurisdiction of the Court; this is an increase of thirty-two (32) Suits over the sixty-two (62) instituted during the preceding year.

We have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servants,

(Signed) THOMAS M. BUSTEED,
(„) G. E. COWER,
(„) C. RUNGANADA SASTRY,
Judges.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
23rd February 1866.

No.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes

Months.	1			2	3	4
	Number of Suits instituted			The English cases bear to the Native cases the ratio of	Number of Summonses issued.	Number of second and further Summonses issued.
	English.	Native.	Total.			
1865.						
January	229	1,257	1,486	5 489	1,083	452
February	219	1,263	1,482	5 767	1,662	385
March	253	1,649	1,902	6 517	2,136	454
April	210	1,254	1,464	5·971	2,232	431
May	287	1,563	1,850	5 445	2,320	357
June	241	1,426	1,667	5 917	2,159	403
July	220	1,690	1,910	7 681	2,268	581
August	228	1,623	1,851	7·118	2,242	546
September	257	1,330	1,587	5 175	1,094	406
October	285	1,575	1,860	5 526	2,238	696
November	244	1,603	1,847	6 569	2,142	516
December	213	1,256	1,469	5 896	1,767	366
Total	2,886	17,489	20,375	6 0599	24,843	5,623

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of the Fifteenth year of its institution, namely, from January to December 1865.

5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			15	16
Number of Subpœnas issued.	Number of Attachments issued.	Number of Warrants issued.	Number of Judge's Warrants issued.	Number of copies of Judgments issued.	Number of Commitments issued.	Number of Releases issued.	Number of Cases referred to Arbitration.	Number of Warrants to sue and defend filed.	Appearances of parties to Suits.			Number of days in which the Court was opened.	Average number of Suits instituted daily.
									By Attorneys and Barristers.	By Vakeels.	In Person.		
1,435	...	577	4	6	...	19	28	97	60	37	1,389	20	74·3
1,856	...	558	...	8	...	6	12	30	29	1	1,452	21	70·571
2,196	...	708	1	17	...	7	20	219	167	52	1,083	25	76·08
1,121	...	512	2	11	1	13	21	83	55	28	1,381	18	81·333
1,547	...	692	...	9	...	12	16	83	48	35	1,767	23	80·434
1,412	...	612	1	12	...	12	18	108	69	39	1,559	21	79·380
1,671	...	725	4	21	...	22	22	32	30	2	1,878	26	73·461
2,082	...	720	3	15	...	20	24	90	49	41	1,761	26	71·192
1,495	...	605	2	7	...	18	29	95	62	33	1,492	23	69
1,597	...	661	1	12	...	26	18	75	28	47	1,785	25	74·4
1,475	...	661	...	23	...	16	10	93	50	43	1,754	25	73·88
900	...	577	1	7	...	21	18	63	36	27	1,406	20	73·45
18,787	...	7,608	19	148	1	192	236	1,068	683	385	19,307	273	74·633

No.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes

Months.	17	Graduated digest of Costs received on institution of								
	Amount litigated in the Suits instituted	Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees.		
1865.	Rs. A. P	Rs A. P			Rs. A. P			Rs. A. P		
January	44,367 3 5	669	8	0	635	12	0	1,086	8	0
February	36,404 15 8	659	10	0	622	0	0	1,141	12	0
March	45,750 6 3	838	12	0	832	8	0	1,514	14	0
April	45,973 3 5	640	14	0	565	10	0	1,207	2	0
May	51,382 8 9	825	14	0	696	8	0	1,570	2	0
June	45,203 8 11	730	10	0	728	10	0	1,415	2	0
July	53,900 13 9	854	6	0	734	6	0	1,789	8	0
August	53 772 14 8	800	4	0	810	10	0	1,480	12	0
September	50,240 2 5	666	10	0	682	10	0	1,428	14	0
October	63,474 7 9	792	12	0	779	14	0	1,751	2	0
November	53,015 8 5	797	2	0	770	14	0	1,460	8	0
December	43,243 5 10	608	2	0	616	14	0	1,339	12	0
Total...	5,88,729 3 3	8,884	8	0	8,476	4	0	17,216	0	0

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Suits, but of which portions have been returned to Suitors who may have compromised their cases before hearing.

Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees.		
Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1,152	4	0	1,050	9	0	996	12	0	399	0	0	249	8	0	207	8	0
1,165	2	0	1,128	10	0	723	4	0	778	14	0	68	8	0	...	...	...
1,338	6	0	1,266	12	0	568	14	0	290	12	0	296	10	0	137	2	0
1,292	4	0	1,016	8	0	538	0	0	678	4	0	431	8	0	147	14	0
1,543	6	0	1,162	10	0	718	14	0	366	10	0	316	6	0	13	8	0
1,399	12	0	1,178	0	0	662	0	0	229	8	0	368	14	0	69	3	0
1,455	6	0	1,360	10	0	1,220	6	0	151	4	0	60	8	0	347	0	0
1,812	10	0	1,351	2	0	648	2	0	228	8	0	245	8	0	2	4	0
1,336	6	0	1,367	14	0	708	0	0	544	6	0	363	2	0	79	6	0
1,576	8	0	1,399	6	0	756	8	0	330	14	0	508	14	0	199	3	0
1,343	0	0	1,301	10	0	551	14	0	292	2	0	414	8	0	366	15	0
1,195	8	0	1,190	8	0	552	6	0	91	11	0	117	14	0	379	8	0
16,610	8	0	14,774	8	0	8,645	0	0	4,381	13	0	3,441	12	0	1,949	7	0

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A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes

Months.	18 — Graduated digest of Costs, &c.—(Concluded)														
	Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 800 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rupees.			Total.		
1865.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January ...	357	2	0	105	8	0	92	0	0	94	4	0	7,096	8	0
February ...	187	8	0	13	12	0	95	12	0	102	3	0	6,686	15	0
March ...	84	3	0	5	8	0	...	...	...	...	...	.	7,204	5	0
April ...	...	.	...	167	2	0	176	11	0	13	0	0	6,874	13	0
May ...	78	11	0	357	11	0	18	0	0	192	2	0	7,860	6	0
June ...	79	6	0	170	9	0	...	...	..	...	...	.	7,031	10	0
July ...	300	2	0	5	8	0	...	...	...	198	15	0	8,477	15	0
August ...	174	4	0	...	.	...	87	11	0	491	10	0	8,133	5	0
September ...	246	1	0	79	14	0	87	11	0	193	10	0	7,784	8	0
October ..	10	0	0	171	14	0	84	6	0	213	8	0	8,574	13	0
November...	164	5	0	2	12	0	355	6	0	...	...	...	7,821	0	0
December...	90	3	0	163	13	0	210	7	0	192	8	0	6,749	2	0
Total...	1,771	13	0	1,243	15	0	1,208	0	0	1,691	12	0	90,294	15	0

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Graduated digest of Cases instituted during the year.

Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rs. 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rs. 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rs. 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rs. 400, not above Rupees 500.	Above Rs. 500, not above Rupees 600.	Above Rs. 600, not above Rupees 700.	Above Rs. 700, not above Rupees 800.	Above Rs. 800, not above Rupees 900.	Above Rs. 900, not above Rs. 1,000.	Total.
709	275	211	100	51	28	7	5	3	4	1	1	1	1,486
811	257	220	99	52	22	16	1	...	2	...	1	1	1,482
1,035	347	312	119	59	16	7	4	2	1	...	...	...	1,902
788	237	232	116	48	16	14	7	2	...	2	2	...	1,464
1,019	292	305	140	54	21	7	5	...	1	4	...	2	1,850
883	285	274	130	59	20	5	6	1	2	2	...	...	1,667
1,027	306	334	129	66	33	3	1	5	4	...	...	2	1,910
969	339	290	156	64	17	4	4	...	2	...	1	5	1,851
804	284	275	110	63	25	12	6	1	3	1	1	2	1,587
943	325	335	137	67	29	6	9	3	...	3	1	2	1,860
1,012	322	293	118	63	16	6	6	5	2	...	4	...	1,847
747	263	262	105	59	16	3	2	5	1	2	2	2	1,469
10,837	3,532	3,343	1,459	705	259	90	56	27	22	15	13	17	20,375

No.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes

Months.	10						
	Disposal of Suits set down for hearing during the months opposite to which the numbers stand.						
	Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants	Non-suited	Struck off	Compromised	Undecided.	Total.
1865.							
January	786	69	74	59	697	...	1,685
February	743	37	62	11	529	...	1,382
March	836	52	50	2	641	...	1,581
April	717	21	37	33	463	...	1,271
May	974	56	66	10	631	...	1,737
June	871	40	66	17	664	...	1,658
July	907	52	50	13	694	...	1,716
August	982	51	54	11	618	...	1,716
September	858	59	45	18	569	...	1,546
October	920	44	78	11	709	...	1,762
November	951	36	69	19	723	...	1,798
December	747	30	40	14	485	188	1,504
Total...	10,292	544	691	219	7,453	188	19,386

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of the Fifteenth year of its institution, namely, from January to December 1865.

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Amount carried to credit of Government on account of Fees deposited during the months opposite to which the amount stand

Fees on institution of Summonses			Second and further Summonses Fees			Subpœnas Fees.			Warrants, Notices and Interpleader Summonses, Fees, &c.			Fees realised in Pauper Suits,			Total gross amount.			Amount of half Costs			Net amount carried to credit of Government.		
RS.	A	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.
6,381	3	0	134	12	0	574	6	0	402	9	0	5	6	0	7,498	4	0	1,097	6	6	6,400	13	6
6,056	7	0	169	12	0	460	12	0	332	13	0	...	.	...	7,019	12	0	924	3	0	6,095	9	0
6,464	3	0	200	2	0	540	0	0	579	8	2	3	4	0	7,787	1	2	1,267	0	6	6,520	0	8
6,390	13	0	109	10	0	374	6	0	308	7	0	...	...	..	7,183	4	0	808	15	6	6,374	4	6
7,203	14	0	144	14	0	511	10	0	504	12	0	...	...	...	8,365	2	0	1,320	5	0	7,044	13	0
6,392	14	0	223	0	0	415	12	0	322	3	6	...	...	...	7,353	13	6	1,041	3	0	6,312	10	6
7,786	5	0	183	4	0	508	8	0	406	6	0	...	..	.	8,884	5	0	1,518	15	0	7,365	6	0
7,274	1	0	197	4	0	662	0	0	529	12	0	...	...	..	8,663	1	0	1,574	8	0	7,088	9	0
7,048	9	0	175	8	0	472	12	0	353	10	0	...	...	..	8,050	7	0	1,083	12	6	6,966	10	6
7,884	1	0	216	8	0	474	4	0	363	4	0	4	12	6	8,942	13	6	1,310	7	0	7,632	6	6
7,174	2	0	179	4	0	475	10	0	418	14	0	...	...	...	8,247	14	0	1,650	4	0	6,597	10	0
6,236	4	0	170	4	0	342	10	0	339	1	0	...	...	...	7,088	3	0	903	10	0	6,184	9	0
82,292	12	0	2,104	2	0	5,812	8	0	4,861	3	8	13	6	6	95,084	0	2	14,500	10	0	80,583	6	2

No. 1.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes, &c.—(Concluded)

Months.	22			23			24			25			26		
	Amount repaid to Suitors on account of compromised cases.			Cost remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Amount paid into Court by Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount paid out of Court to Suitors on account of cases decreed			Amount of fines levied.		
1865	Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A	P	Rs.	A	P.	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.
January	1,097	6	6	...	...	.	8,265	2	1	7,213	14	10	...	...	..
February.	924	3	0	...	...	.	6,078	5	10	6,283	2	5	...	...	...
March	1,267	0	6	...	..	...	6,773	5	0	7,692	10	7	...	...	.
April...	808	15	6	...	..	.	5,870	8	9	4,808	5	1	...	...	...
May	1,320	5	0	...	..	..	7,997	14	6	7,924	8	3	...	..	.
June...	1,041	3	0	...	..	...	6,399	15	11	6,448	6	8	...	..	...
July	1,518	15	0	...	..	...	10,072	8	6	10,257	8	3	...	..	..
August	1,574	8	0	...	..	..	9,389	11	0	8,782	0	0	100	0	0
September....	1,033	12	6	...	...	...	7,281	5	9	6,179	8	4	...	...	...
October	1,310	7	0	...	..	...	9,370	4	6	9,391	3	5	...	.	..
November...	1,650	4	0	...	...	..	8,355	3	9	7,628	11	7	10	0	0
December....	903	10	0	...	..	...	7,205	11	8	7,998	8	1	...	...	..
Total.....	14,500	10	0	...	..	..	93,060	1	0	90,608	7	6	110	0	0

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1865, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays ... ... 53 days.
New Year's day, Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension day, Her Majesty's Birthday, and Christmas .. .. 6 ,,
Hindoo and other Holidays scattered throughout the year ... ... 33 ,,

Total . ... 92 ,,
The Court sat .. ...273 ,,

Total... ...365 ,,

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 2.

Comparative Table of Causes heard and decided from January to December 1864, *and from January to December* 1865.

	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.	1864.	1865.
Judgment for Plaintiff	715	786	820	743	749	836	926	717	767	974	831	871	1,017	907	962	982	856	858	882	920	918	951	769	747	10,212	10,292
Judgment for Defendant..	156	69	39	37	39	52	45	21	31	56	51	40	40	52	50	51	53	56	25	44	42	36	28	30	609	544
Non-suited and struck off	143	133	70	73	73	52	88	70	52	76	73	83	64	63	54	65	65	63	75	89	93	68	65	54	915	909
Compromised...	716	697	630	529	555	641	651	463	560	631	634	664	778	694	713	648	626	569	657	709	701	723	585	485	7,836	7,453
Undecided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	233	188	233	188
Total...	1,730	1,685	1,559	1,382	1,416	1,581	1,740	1,271	1,410	1,737	1,589	1,658	1,899	1,716	1,779	1,746	1,600	1,546	1,642	1,762	1,754	1,798	1,650	1,504	19,796	19,386

MEMORANDUM.

Number of Causes heard and decided in 1864..... 19,798
Do. do. do. do. in 1865..... 19,386

Decrease in 1865..... 412

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 3.

Return of Graduated Digest of Causes instituted from January to December 1865.

Year and months.	Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500.	Above Rupees 500, not above Rupees 600.	Above Rupees 600, not above Rupees 700.	Above Rupees 700, not above Rupees 800.	Above Rupees 800, not above Rupees 900.	Above Rupees 900, not above Rupees 1,000.	Total.
1865.														
January..	799	275	211	100	51	28	7	5	3	4	1	1	1	1,486
February..	811	257	220	99	52	22	16	1	..	2	..	1	1	1,482
March	1,035	347	312	119	59	16	7	4	2	1	..	...	...	1,902
April	788	237	232	116	48	16	14	7	2	..	2	2	...	1,464
May..	1,019	292	305	140	54	21	7	5	..	1	4	...	2	1,850
June...	883	285	274	130	59	20	5	6	1	2	2	...	...	1,667
July	1,027	306	334	129	66	33	3	1	5	4	..	...	2	1,910
August	969	339	290	156	64	17	4	4	..	2	..	1	5	1,851
September	804	284	275	110	63	25	12	6	1	3	1	1	2	1,587
October..	943	325	335	137	67	29	6	9	3	..	3	1	2	1,860
November	1,012	322	293	118	63	16	6	6	5	2	..	4	...	1,847
December	747	263	262	105	59	16	3	2	5	1	2	2	2	1,469
Total..	10,837	3,532	3,343	1,459	705	259	90	56	27	28	15	13	17	20,375

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 4.

A Statement of the Graduated Digest of Costs of Summonses from January to December 1865.

Months.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 10			Fees and Costs under Rupees 20			Fees and Costs under Rupees 50.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 100			Fees and Costs under Rupees 200			Fees and Costs under Rupees 300			Fees and Costs under Rupees 400			Fees and Costs under Rupees 500.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 600			Fees and Costs under Rupees 700.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 800.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 900.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 1,000			Total		
1865	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A.	P	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P.
January	669	3	0	635	12	0	1,086	8	0	1,152	4	0	1,050	9	0	996	12	0	399	0	0	249	8	0	207	8	0	357	2	0	105	8	0	92	0	0	94	4	0	7,096	3	0
February	659	10	0	62.	0	0	1,141	12	0	1,165	2	0	1 128	10	0	723	4	0	778	14	0	68	8	0	...			187	8	0	13	12	0	95	12	0	102	3	0	6,686	15	0
Margh	838	12	0	832	8	0	1,544	14	0	1 338	6	0	1,286	12	0	568	14	0	290	12	0	296	10	0	137	2	0	84	3	0	5	8	0	...	...	...	...	.	.	7 204	5	0
April	640	14	0	565	10	0	1,207	2	0	1 292	4	0	1,016	8	0	538	0	0	678	4	0	431	8	0	147	14	0	..	.	...	167	2	0	176	11	0	13	0	0	6 874	13	0
May	825	14	0	696	8	0	1,570	2	0	1,543	6	0	1,162	10	0	718	14	0	366	10	0	316	6	0	13	8	0	78	11	0	357	11	0	18	0	0	192	2	0	7,860	6	0
June	730	10	0	728	10	0	1,415	2	0	1,392	13	0	1 178	0	0	662	0	0	229	8	0	368	14	0	69	3	0	79	6	0	170	9	0	...			...			7,031	10	0
July	854	6	0	734	6	0	1,789	8	0	1,475	6	0	1,360	10	0	1,220	6	0	151	4	0	60	6	0	347	0	0	300	2	0	5	8	0	...			198	15	0	8,477	15	0
August	800	4	0	810	10	0	1,480	12	0	1,312	10	0	1,351	2	0	648	2	0	228	8	0	245	8	0	2	4	0	174	4	0	.			87	11	0	491	10	0	8,133	5	0
September	666	10	0	682	10	0	1,428	14	0	1 336	6	0	1,367	14	0	708	0	0	544	0	0	363	2	0	79	6	0	246	1	0	79	14	0	87	11	0	193	10	0	7,784	8	0
October	732	12	0	779	14	0	1,751	2	0	1,576	8	0	1,209	0	0	756	8	0	330	14	0	508	11	0	199	3	0	10	0	0	171	14	0	84	6	0	213	8	0	8, 74	13	0
November	797	2	0	770	14	0	1,460	8	0	1,343	0	0	1,301	10	0	551	14	0	293	2	0	414	8	0	366	15	0	164	5	0	2	12	0	355	6	0	...	..		7,821	0	0
December	608	2	0	616	14	0	1,339	12	0	1,195	8	0	1 190	8	0	552	6	0	91	11	0	117	14	0	379	8	0	90	3	0	163	13	0	210	7	0	132	8	0	8,749	2	0
Total ..	8 884	8	0	8 476	4	0	17,216	8	0	16,610	8	0	14 774	3	0	8,645	0	0	4,381	13	0	3,441	12	0	1,949	7	0	1,771	13	0	1,243	15	0	1,208	0	0	1,691	12	0	90,294	15	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 5.

A Statement shewing the number of Causes remaining undecided on the 31st December 1865.

For want of Service.	Number of Causes postponed.					Remarks.
	For Plaintiffs or Defendants, for parties, witnesses.	For Attachment	At the request of Plaintiffs or Defendants, or both parties	By order of Court.	Total.	
...	33	...	15	140	188	

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 6.

Abstract Statement of Causes heard, and how disposed of, with the Commission and Fees leviable thereon, from January to December 1865.

Months.	Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non suited.	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.	Commission and Fees.		
1865.								RS.	A.	P.
January...	786	69	74	59	697	...	1,685	6,400	13	6
February...	743	87	62	11	529	...	1,382	6,095	9	0
March...	836	52	50	2	641	...	1,581	6,520	0	8
April...	717	21	37	33	463	...	1,271	6,374	4	6
May	974	56	66	10	631	...	1,737	7,044	13	0
June...	871	40	66	17	664	...	1 658	6,312	10	6
July	907	52	50	13	694	...	1,716	7,365	6	0
August	982	51	54	11	648	...	1,746	7,088	9	0
September	858	56	45	18	569	...	1,546	6,966	10	6
October	920	44	78	11	709	...	1,762	7,632	6	6
November	951	36	69	19	723	...	1,798	6,597	10	0
December...	717	30	40	14	485	188	1,504	6,184	9	0
Total	10,292	544	691	218	7,453	188	19,386	80,583	6	2

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The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 7.

A Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized and credited in the Cash Account, from January 1864 *to December* 1865, *prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court, and rendered to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Bank of Madras.*

Months.	1864. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint process.			Total.			Months.	1865. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint process			Total.			Total increase of Fees in 1865.			Total decrease of Fees in 1865.			Remarks.
1864.	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P	1865.	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P	
January	5,302	5	6	...	.	.	5,302	5	6	January	6,400	13	6	...	...	.	6,400	13	6	1,098	8	0	..	..	...	
February	6,379	3	0	...	.	.	6,379	3	0	February	6,095	9	0	...	...	.	6,095	9	0	...	..	...	283	10	0	
Maren	5,520	9	0	...		.	5,520	9	0	March	6,396	0	0	...	.	...	6,396	0	0	875	7	0	...	...	..	
April	6,288	0	6	...	...	..	6,288	0	6	April	6,374	4	6	...	...	..	6,374	4	6	86	4	0	...	...	...	
May	6,045	5	0	...	.	...	6,045	5	0	May	7,044	13	0	...	...	...	7,044	13	0	999	8	0	...	...	...	
June	5,681	2	6	...	...	.	5,681	2	6	June	6,312	10	6	...	..	..	6,312	10	6	631	8	0	...	...	..	
July	7,776	3	6	...	...	..	7,776	3	6	July	7,365	6	0	...	.	...	7,365	6	0	...	.	..	410	13	6	
August	7,590	12	0	...	..	...	7,590	12	0	August	6,988	9	0	...	..	.	6 988	9	0	...	.	.	602	3	0	
September	7,183	15	0	...	.	...	7,183	15	0	September	6,966	10	6	...	...	.	6,966	10	6	. .	...	...	217	4	6	
October	7,283	11	0	...	.	..	7,283	11	0	October	7,632	6	6	...	...	..	7,632	6	6	348	11	6	...	..	...	
November	6,934	15	0	...	...	.	6,934	15	0	November	6,587	10	0	...	...	...	6,587	10	0	...	..	...	347	5	0	
December	6,259	12	6	...	...	...	6,259	12	6	December	6,184	9	0	...	...	.	6,184	9	0	...	...	..	75	3	6	
Total..	78,245	11	6	..		.	78,245	14	6	Total...	80,319	5	6	...	..	..	80.319	5	6	4,039	14	6	1,936	7	6	

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The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 8.

Abstract Statement of sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their demands from January to December 1865.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on hand Rupees.....	.....	..	...	16,055	7	2							
To Cash received on Causes decreed in January 1865.	8,265	2	1				By Cash paid to Plaintiffs, &c., for Causes decreed in January 1865	7,213	14	10			
Do. do. do. February do.	6,078	5	10				Do. do. do. February do.	6,283	2	5			
Do. do. do. March do.	6,773	5	0				Do. do. do. March do.	7,692	10	7			
Do. do. do. April do.	5,870	8	9				Do. do. do. April do.	4,808	5	1			
Do. do. do. May do.	7,997	14	6				Do. do. do. May do.	7,924	8	3			
Do. do. do. June do.	6,399	15	11				Do. do. do. June do.	6,448	6	8			
Do. do. do. July do.	10,072	8	6				Do. do. do. July do.	10,257	8	3			
Do. do. do. August do.	9,389	11	6				Do. do. do. August do.	8,782	0	0			
Do. do. do. September do.	7,281	5	0				Do. do. do. September do.	6,179	8	4			
Do. do. do. October do.	9,370	4	6				Do. do. do. October do.	9,391	3	5			
Do. do. do. November do.	8,355	3	9				Do. do. do. November do.	7,628	11	7			
Do. do. do. December do.	7,205	11	8				Do. do. do. December do.	7,998	8	1			
				93,060	1	0					90,608	7	6
							Balance carried to next account...	.....	...	..	18,507	0	8
Total Rupees.....	.....	..	...	1,09,115	8	2	Total Rupees.....	.....	...	...	1,09,115	8	2

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The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 9.

Abstract of the particulars of demand from January to December 1865.

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered.	Other goods sold and delivered.	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.	Wages.	Work and labor.	Work and labor, and materials.	For money paid.	For money lent.	For money had and received.	On an account stated	For use and occupation	On judgment.	Guarantee.	Partnership balance.	Other actions in Assumpsit.	Trover.	Case.	Trespass.	Assault	Replevin.	Interpleader	Recovery of Small Tenements	Ejectment.	Against Executors and representatives	Covenant	Total.
1865.																										
January	164	349	231	64	68	53	125	112	50	29	86	54	8	14	112	3	...	1	3	..	17	...	12	3	2	1,560
February	130	404	352	30	20	...	43	120	14	3	147	49	6	3	138	49	..	..	3	...	9	...	14	5	6	1,545
March...	201	602	457	46	19	1	63	117	22	4	121	32	8	5	153	69	..	...	...	...	7	...	14	4	...	1,945
April...	138	367	320	23	34	5	51	94	10	36	116	16	11	6	194	39	...	6	1	...	5	...	9	2	4	1,487
May...	157	493	489	47	41	6	62	152	13	...	172	66	7	5	118	48	...	2	12	...	1	...	23	5	3	1,922
June...	152	505	373	37	17	2	30	146	9	1	167	17	9	..	141	58	...	4	...	...	11	...	16	3	...	1,698
July...	193	618	407	32	29	1	70	144	10	6	146	76	12	6	149	66	.	...	3	..	5	2	12	4	4	1,995
August	202	343	457	39	20	7	39	167	16	23	210	29	7	3	231	58	...	8	2	...	2	...	16	5	3	1,887
September	158	380	366	64	33	6	79	115	10	15	107	32	16	4	132	58	..	5	2	...	9	...	9	5	20	1,633
October	135	620	397	39	19	1	47	156	7	4	129	38	24	4	157	60	..	5	...	...	1	...	12	4	4	1,903
November	155	611	350	27	27	2	70	151	11	9	150	48	6	6	206	53		4	...	...	6	...	6	5	3	1,906
December..	172	399	33	31	14	7	54	126	7	..	132	21	16	2	131	45	...	6	...	...	1	...	8	4	3	1,495
Total... ..	1,957	5,681	4,531	479	341	91	713	1,600	179	128	1,683	478	124	56	1,902	606	.	41	26	...	74	2	151	49	52	20,976

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 10.

Statement of Causes instituted in the Distraint Department from January to December 1865 *with the amount of Rent sued for, the gross amount of Costs deposited, and the amount of Costs credited to Government.*

Months.	Compromised before Appraisement.	Executed by sale.	Dismissed before Appraisement.	Unexecuted.	Compromised after Appraisement.	Dismissed after Appraisement.	Total number of Causes.	Amount of Rent sued for.			Gross amount of costs deposited			Amount of costs credited to Government			Amount of Subpœna fees.			Total amount credited to Government.		
1865.								RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January																						
February																						
March																						
April																						
May																						
June																						
July																						
August																						
September																						
October																						
November																						
December																						
Total																						

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The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 11.

Statement shewing the amount of Fines levied from January to December 1865.

Year.	Months	Amount		
		RS.	A.	P.
1865.	January	...	...	...
,,	February	...	...	...
,,	March	...	..	.
,,	April	...	..	...
,,	May	...	...	...
,,	June	...	...	...
,,	July	...	.	.
,,	August	100	0	0
,,	September	...	...	...
,,	October	...	...	...
,,	November	10	0	0
,,	December	...	...	.
	Total... ..	110	0	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 12.

Statement shewing the Monthly Salaries of three Judges and of the Establishment.

Monthly Salary of the						Establishment.			Total.		
First Judge.			Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each.								
RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.
2,000	0	0	2,000	0	0	2,744	8	0	6,744	8	0

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The 31st day of January 1866,

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 13.

Abstract Statement of unrecovered Costs from January to December 1865.

Months.	Pauper Suits.			Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers			Costs of attachment ordered, but not taken out by parties.			Fees of second and further Summonses not being taken out by parties.			Costs of Warrants ordered against witnesses but not called for.			Total.		
1865.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	14	0	...	.	...	3	14	0
February	8	4	0	...	...	...	...	..	..	3	14	0	...		...	12	2	0
March...	4	8	0	...	..	...	...	...	...	7	10	0	...	.	...	12	2	0
April	15	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	2	0	...	.	.	27	2	0
May	2	2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	0	0	...	...	...	3	2	0
June	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	12	0	...	...	...	3	12	0
July	17	12	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	14	0	...	...	..	23	10	0
August.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	14	0	...	...	...	2	14	0
September.	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	9	10	0	...	.	.	9	10	0
October	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	2	0	...	...	..	8	2	0
November... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	8	0	...	.	...	5	8	0
December... ...	...	...	...	...	...		...	...	...	8	14	0	...	...	...	8	14	0
Total...	47	10	0	...	..		...	...	..	73	2	0	...	..	...	120	12	0

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The 31st day of January 1866.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 14.

Statement showing the number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes, and the amount of Fees realized thereon during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, *and* 1865, *together with the progressive increase and decrease in each year.*

Years.	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each year.	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each year.			Decrease of Fees in each year.		
				RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P
1851	23,668	.....	.....	37,417	7	0	.. ...	...	...	.....	...	...
1852	24,392	724	.....	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	... ..	..	...
1853	25,192	800	.....	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	.....	.	...
1854	26,483	1,291	.....	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	.....	...	...
1855	26,199	.....	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	.....	..	...
1856	22,869	.....	3,330	43,682	14	6	.....	...	...	8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	.....	5,195	36,909	10	6	.....	...	...	6,773	4	0
1858	18,020	346	.....	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	.....	..	...
1859	18,374	354	.....	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	.....	..	...
1860	19,778	1,404	.....	63,294	8	3	8,694	6	3	.....	...	...
1861	23,054	3,276	.....	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	.....	..	...
1862	22,345	.....	709	76,122	0	10	.....	..	..	14,926	0	8
1863	19,940	.....	2,405	69,364	6	10	.....	..	..	6,757	10	0
1864	20,781	841	.....	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	.....	..	...
1865	20,375	.....	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	.....	...	...
	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.. ...	...	...	.....	...	...

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1866

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

RETURN OF CASES

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No. 7.

FROM THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

TO THE HONORABLE A. J. ARBUTHNOT, *Chief Secretary to Government,*

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

We have the honor to send, herewith, for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council, the Sixteenth Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes, for the year which terminated on the 31st December last.

2. There is a surplus of Rupees sixteen thousand six hundred and forty-five, Annas three, and Pies eleven (16,645-3-11) in favor of Government over and above the expenses of the Court for the year, as appears by the following Statement of receipts and expenses:—

Amount of Commission and Fees, and Fines and unclaimed deposits realized and credited to Government as follows:—

Commission and Fees, Rupees	95,863	10	0			
Fines . . .. ,,	200	0	0			
Unclaimed Deposits ,,	214	5	0			
				96,277	15	0
Deduct expenses of the Court			Rupees	79,632	11	1
Surplus in favor of Government			,,	16,645	3	11

3. There is also an increase of eight hundred and sixteen (816) Causes during the year, compared with the number instituted during the preceding year; as appears by the following comparative statement:—

Number of Causes instituted in 1865 .		20,375
Do.	do. in 1866 .	21,191
Increase ..	...	816

4. There have been one hundred and seventy-three (173) Suits for sums over Rupees five hundred (500) instituted during the year, under the extended jurisdiction of the Court; this is an increase of seventy-nine (79) Suits over the ninety-four (94) instituted during the preceding year.

5. The business of the Court has considerably increased since Act XXVI of 1864, extending the jurisdiction of the Court, came into operation; and the additional work and labor thus entailed, renders necessary some increase in the Establishment of the Court. The existing staff has for some time been unable to discharge the duties devolving upon it as efficiently as is desirable; but we have hitherto refrained from asking the Government to sanction its increase. The augmentation of the business of the Court during the past year, however, makes it no longer possible for us to avoid representing to the Government the inadequacy of the staff employed in the Court. We are induced, therefore, to request that Government will be pleased to sanction our employing the following additional hands, viz:—

One Assistant Translator, at	Rupees	35	per month.
One do. Computist, at	Rupees	15	per month.
One First Class Writer, at	,,	18	do.
One Second do. at	,,	15	do.
One Attender, at	,,	7	do.
Two Peons, at	,,	7	each do.

6. We consider that the present Translator, whose salary is only Rupees thirty-five (35) per month, and whose duties are onerous and responsible, is inadequately paid, as compared with the salaries of the Translators in other Departments. The Documents put in by Suitors for translation have of late considerably increased, and it not unfrequently happens that they cannot be got ready in time for the hearing of the suits in which they are intended to be used, which of course necessi-

tates an adjournment of these cases to the prejudice of the Suitors and the inconvenience of their witnesses and legal advisers, to say nothing of the delay in the speedy disposal of suits and the waste of public time. The Translator, it is true, occasionally obtains assistance from the Chief Interpreter and the Judges' Clerks in the translation of Documents, but the aid thus afforded is not very great, as these Officers have their own respective duties to attend to in the several Courts of the three Judges, and it is only when they are not thus engaged, which is very rarely the case, that the Translator could depend upon any assistance from them. The employment of an Assistant Translator is urgently needed, and we do not think a salary less than Rupees thirty-five (35) would secure a competent person, nor do we think Rupees fifty (50) too much for the person discharging the duties of Chief Translator. We would, therefore, strongly recommend the present Translator for an increase, and suggest an addition of Rupees fifteen (15) per month to his present salary. We are the more induced to do so, as he has given general satisfaction in the performance of the duties of his office.

7. The employment of the above additional hands and increase to the salary of the Translator, will entail an extra expense of Rupees one hundred and nineteen (119) per month, or Rupees one thousand four hundred and twenty-eight (1,428) per annum, to Government. This will not entail any additional expenditure of the public funds upon the Court, as it will be met from the increased Revenue of the Court itself, which we believe will probably be maintained, if not further augmented.

8. We submit, herewith, a tabular Statement, in the prescribed form, showing the increase applied for.

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servants,

(Signed) THOMAS M. BUSTEED,
(„) C. RUNGANADA SASTRY, } *Judges.*
(„) J. MASKELL,

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
11*th February* 1867.

No. 1.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Sixteenth year of its institution, namely, from January to December 1866.

Months.	1			2	3	4	5
	Number of Suits instituted.						
	English.	Native.	Total.	The English cases bear to the Native cases the ratio of	Number of Summonses issued.	Number of second and further Summonses issued.	Number of Subpœnas issued.
1866.							
January	263	1,273	1,536	1 to 4·8403	1,986	513	1,489
February	261	1,336	1,597	1 to 5·118	1,862	444	1,185
March	280	1,636	1,916	1 to 5·842	2,375	570	1,580
April	210	1,381	1,591	1 to 6·576	1,920	411	1,404
May	164	1,422	1,586	1 to 8·6707	1,925	427	1,300
June	350	1,731	2,081	1 to 4·945	2,340	434	1,736
July	386	1,711	2,097	1 to 4·432	2,534	711	1,669
August	400	1,707	2,107	1 to 4·267	2,405	575	1,872
September	310	1,439	1,749	1 to 4·641	2,276	395	1,359
October	274	1,624	1,898	1 to 5 927	2,315	567	1,547
November	277	1,520	1,797	1 to 5·487	2,238	455	1,207
December	162	1,074	1,236	1 to 6·629	1,500	418	843
Total...	3,337	17,854	21,191	1 to 5·3503	25,676	5,920	17,191

No.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

Months.	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			15
	Number of Attachments issued.	Number of Warrants issued.	Number of Judge's Warrants issued	Number of copies of Judgments issued.	Number of Commitments issued.	Number of Releases issued.	Number of Cases referred to Arbitration.	Number of Warrants to sue and defend filed	Appearances of parties to Suits			Number of days in which the Court was opened
									By Attorneys and Barristers.	By Vakeels.	In Person.	
1866.												
January	...	570	1	7	...	16	23	83	52	31	1,453	22
February	..	543	1	2	...	13	13	43	21	22	1,554	20
March	...	664	4	25	1	16	10	74	33	41	1,842	23
April	...	551	1	2	...	16	11	201	76	125	1,390	20
May	...	567	1	1	1	13	10	77	34	43	1,509	19
June	...	752	2	4	...	19	18	58	34	24	2,023	26
July	1	748	2	18	1	21	13	137	44	93	1,960	26
August	...	735	...	13	...	14	15	107	42	65	2,000	26
September	...	556	1	13	...	26	21	82	40	42	1,667	24
October	...	614	..	7	...	19	16	140	53	87	1,758	25
November	...	651	1	12	...	16	27	132	52	80	1,665	24
December	...	485	..	14	...	10	13	76	33	43	1,160	17
Total..	1	7,436	14	118	3	199	190	1,210	514	696	19,981	272

1.—(*Continued.*)

Small Causes of the Sixteenth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued.)

16	17			18											
Average number of Suits instituted daily.	Amount litigated in the Suits instituted.			Graduated digest of Costs received on institution of Suits, but of which portions have been returned to Suitors who may have compromised their cases before hearing.											
				Fees and costs under 10 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 30 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.
69·818	45,448	1	10	644	4	0	669	2	0	1,390	14	0	1,158	6	0
70·85	51,501	14	11	711	2	0	617	14	0	1,396	6	0	1,099	12	0
83·304	58,900	6	3	839	12	0	864	0	0	1,693	8	0	1,311	8	0
79·55	44,733	6	5	670	6	0	715	10	0	1,336	8	0	1 272	2	0
83·437	49,280	12	3	693	2	0	716	10	0	1,621	14	0	1,021	2	0
80·384	71,121	1	4	879	10	0	971	4	0	1,740	12	0	1,581	2	0
80·653	77,393	15	3	871	2	0	969	12	0	2,095	0	0	1,869	12	0
81·038	76,784	10	9	900	14	0	950	12	0	1,820	14	0	1,840	6	0
72·875	66,642	3	0	1,747	14	0	757	0	0	1,643	4	0	1,737	4	0
75·92	69,048	5	3	759	0	0	886	8	0	1,710	12	0	1,724	10	0
74·875	53,364	14	9	734	7	0	784	3	0	1,481	7	0	1,502	14	0
72·705	41,590	4	0	556	4	0	528	6	0	989	10	0	1,009	14	0
77·908	7,05,810	0	0	10,007	13	0	9,431	1	0	18,920	13	0	17,128	12	0

No

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

18—(Concluded)

Graduated digest of Costs received on

Months	Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees.		
1866.	RS	A	P	RS.	A	P	RS	A	P	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P
January	1,102	14	0	525	2	0	443	12	0	445	10	0	31	8	0
February	1,116	10	0	393	12	0	614	10	0	184	8	0	665	11	0
March	1,424	0	0	830	2	0	595	12	0	761	14	0	304	2	0
April . ..	1,345	6	0	525	10	0	444	8	0	84	10	0	189	13	0
May	1,160	4	0	680	4	0	209	14	0	60	10	0	634	3	0
June	1,560	12	0	1,029	2	0	741	2	0	696	8	0	425	6	0
July ...	1,770	8	0	955	0	0	663	4	0	718	14	0	636	13	0
August ...	1,843	6	0	1,304	12	0	755	12	0	645	8	0	84	1	0
September	1,556	6	0	637	10	0	506	14	0	391	0	0	552	13	0
October	1,704	6	0	1,068	10	0	996	8	0	663	4	0	288	15	0
November ..	1,670	14	0	1,066	6	0	400	2	0	431	9	0	698	9	0
December ...	962	2	0	338	12	0	337	10	0	587	12	0	71	3	0
Total...	17,217	8	0	9,355	2	0	6,709	12	0	5,671	11	0	4,583	1	0

1.—(*Continued.*)

Small Causes of the Sixteenth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued.)

														19	
institution of Suits, &c.—(Continued.)														Graduated digest of Cases instituted during the year.	
Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 800 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rupees.			Total.			Not above Rupees 10.	above Rupees 10, not above Rs. 20.
RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.		
164	4	0	248	3	0	180	10	0	9	12	0	7,014	5	0	806	279
235	10	0	93	1	0	89	5	0	193	10	0	7,411	15	0	852	269
47	8	0	2	12	0	181	15	0	9	12	0	8,866	9	0	995	360
232	0	0	168	7	0	...	..	.	95	8	0	7,080	8	0	850	288
381	8	0	89	11	0	277	14	0	103	8	0	7,650	8	0	795	284
167	10	0	254	6	0	266	11	0	291	3	0	10,605	8	0	1,059	408
604	11	0	13	12	0	91	9	0	297	8	0	10,557	9	0	1,017	365
389	7	0	161	4	0	178	5	0	278	9	0	11,153	14	0	1,018	408
89	5	0	2	12	0	442	7	0	685	6	0	10,749	15	0	839	309
85	10	0	162	7	0	581	7	0	197	14	0	10,829	15	0	880	360
154	11	0	170	2	0	182	8	0	213	0	0	9,490	12	0	883	342
230	5	0	96	7	0	6	0	0	289	15	0	6,004	4	0	635	231
2,782	9	0	1,463	4	0	2,478	11	0	2,665	9	0	1,08,415	10	0	10,629	3,903

No.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

19.—(Concluded.)

Graduated digest of Cases instituted during the year.—(Concluded.)

Months.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rs. 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rs. 100	Above Rs 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rs. 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rs 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rs 400, not above Rupees 500.	Above Rs 500, not above Rupees 600	Above Rs 600, not above Rupees 700	Above Rs 700, not above Rupees 800	Above Rs. 800, not above Rupees 900.	Above Rs. 900, not above Rupees 1,000	Total.
1866.												
January ...	264	101	50	13	9	7	...	2	3	2	...	1,536
February ...	276	99	56	12	14	3	9	3	1	1	2	1,597
March	320	114	72	22	13	13	5	...	...	2	...	1,916
April	246	111	65	14	8	1	2	3	2	...	1	1,591
May	319	86	54	21	6	1	9	6	1	3	1	1,586
June .	326	137	78	30	16	10	7	2	2	3	3	2,081
July	386	165	87	28	14	12	9	8	2	1	3	2,097
August	354	163	90	35	16	10	1	4	2	3	3	2,107
September... ..	314	154	75	18	13	6	8	1	...	5	7	1,749
October... ...	356	148	77	31	20	11	4	1	2	6	2	1,898
November... .	294	131	82	32	8	7	10	2	2	2	2	1,797
December... ...	203	87	48	8	7	9	1	3	1	...	3	1,236
Total...	3,658	1,496	834	264	144	90	65	35	18	28	27	21,191

1.—*(Continued.)*

Small Causes of the Sixteenth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued.)

20							21					
Disposal of Suits set down for hearing during the months opposite to which the numbers stand.							Amount carried to credit of Government on account of Fees deposited during the months opposite to which the amount stand.					
Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants	Non-suited.	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.	Fees on institution of Summonses.			Second and further Summonses Fees.		
							Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
826	68	64	47	725	...	1,730	6,305	9	0	134	14	0
778	31	52	31	541	...	1,433	6,844	3	0	156	2	0
908	65	64	10	648	...	1,695	8,150	11	0	180	10	0
889	38	59	13	589	...	1,588	6,417	8	0	156	14	0
854	44	37	13	582	...	1,530	7,073	8	0	164	12	0
1,083	46	28	2	550	...	1,709	9,791	4	0	242	10	0
1,145	74	38	16	656	...	1,929	10,796	5	0	223	2	0
1,135	69	35	29	761	...	2,029	10,381	4	0	269	0	0
916	56	48	14	584	...	1,648	9,043	7	0	215	10	0
1,018	70	52	12	694	...	1,846	10,024	5	0	241	6	0
918	41	51	27	668	...	1,705	8,793	2	0	198	0	0
736	33	30	20	435	209	1,463	5,504	2	0	186	6	0
11,236	635	558	234	7,433	209	20,305	99,124	12	0	2,369	6	0

No.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

Months.	21.—(Concluded)														
	Amount carried to credit of Government on account of fees, &c.—(Concluded.)														
	Subpœnas Fees.			Warrants, Notices, and Interpleader Summonses, Fees, &c.			Fees realized in Pauper Suits			Total gross amount			Amount of half costs.		
1866.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	573	14	0	497	13	0	...	...	..	7,512	2	0	1,265	8	0
February	411	10	0	372	5	0	...	...	.	7,784	4	0	1,057	6	0
March	535	4	0	614	12	0	...	...		9,481	5	0	1,338	7	0
April	506	2	0	387	12	0	...	...	..	7,468	4	0	1,051	12	0
May	412	4	0	310	6	0	.	.	...	7,960	14	0	979	9	6
June	573	10	0	509	0	0	..	...	...	11,116	8	0	1,875	6	6
July	538	2	0	566	6	0	...	...		12,123	15	0	1,407	14	6
August	503	10	0	511	8	6	...	...	..	11,665	6	6	1,669	7	0
September	490	14	0	444	3	6	...	...	...	10,194	2	6	1,581	11	0
October	564	4	0	479	12	0	...	...	...	11,309	11	0	2,126	3	6
November	499	10	0	505	6	0	...	..	...	9,996	2	0	1,510	12	0
December	313	12	0	328	4	0	..	.	...	6,332	8	0	1,003	2	0
Total...	5,923	0	0	5,528	0	0	...	...	.	1,12,945	2	0	16,867	3	0

1.—(*Concluded.*)

Small Causes of the Sixteenth year of its institution, &c.—(Concluded.)

	22		23			24			25			26		
Net amount carried to credit of Government.	Amount repaid to Suitors on account of compromised cases		Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Amount paid into Court by Suitors on account of cases decreed			Amount paid out of Court to Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount of fines levied.		
RS. A. P.	RS.	A P	RS.	A. P.		RS.	A P.		RS	A. P.		RS.	A P	
6,246 10 0	1,265	8 0	...	...	...	5,333	6 3		5,633	4 1		...	...	...
6,726 14 0	1,057	6 0	...	...	...	7,187	6 6		6,763	8 11		...	...	...
8,142 14 0	1,338	7 0	...	...	...	7,639	11 8		7,547	4 7		...	..	...
6,416 8 0	1,051	12 0	...	...	...	7,652	6 3		7,457	2 7		...	.	..
6,981 4 6	979	9 6	...	...	...	6,719	3 8		7,044	1 2		...	...	...
9,241 1 6	1,875	6 6	...	...	...	10,387	3 0		10,936	6 6		...	...	...
10,716 0 6	1,407	14 6	...	...	...	16,528	2 7		16,421	7 5		100	0	0
9,995 15 6	1,669	7 0	...	...	...	13,446	0 5		13,081	12 8		...	...	...
8,612 7 6	1,581	11 0	...	...	...	12,048	3 8		11,858	15 11		...	...	...
9,183 7 6	2,126	3 6	...	...	...	9,429	14 11		8,410	1 0		100	0	0
8,485 6 0	1,510	12 0	...	...	...	8,600	11 2		9,727	3 4		...	...	...
5,329 6 0	1,003	2 0	...	...	...	7,287	6 4		6,400	14 2		...	...	...
96,077 15 0	16,867	3 0	...	...	...	1,30,766	13 1		1,11,282	2 4		200	0	0

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1866, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays ... ... 52 days.
New Year's day, Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension day, Her Majesty's Birthday, and Christmas day ... ... 6 ,,
Hindoo and other Holidays scattered throughout the year... ... ... 35 ,,

Total... ... 93 ,,
The Court sat... ...272 ,,

Total... ...365 ,,

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 2.

Comparative Table of Causes heard and decided from January to December 1865, *and from January to December* 1866.

	January.		February.		March.		April.		May		June.		July.		August		September		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1865	1866.	1865	1866.	1865.	1866.	1865	1866.	1865	1866	1865.	1866	1865.	1866.	1865.	1866.	1865	1866	1865.	1866.	1865.	1866.	1865.	1866.	1865.	1866.
Judgment for Plaintiff.....	786	826	748	778	836	908	717	889	974	854	871	1,083	907	1,145	982	1,135	858	946	920	1,018	951	915	747	736	10,292	11,238
Judgment for Defendant ..	69	68	37	31	52	65	21	38	56	44	40	46	52	74	51	69	58	56	44	70	36	41	30	33	544	635
Non-suited and struck off ...	133	111	73	83	52	74	70	73	76	50	80	3[illegible]	63	54	65	64	63	62	89	64	88	78	54	50	909	792
Compromised	697	725	529	541	641	643	463	599	631	582	664	550	694	656	648	761	569	584	709	694	723	668	435	435	7,453	7,433
Undecided	...	...	...	—	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	188	209	188	209
Total...	1,685	1,730	1,387	1,433	1,581	1,695	1,271	1,588	1,737	1,530	1,658	1,709	1,716	1,929	1,746	2,029	1,546	1,648	1,762	1,846	1,798	1,705	1,504	1,463	19,386	20,305

MEMORANDUM.

Number of Causes heard and decided in 1865..... 19,386
Do. do. do. do. in 1866..... 20,305

Increase in 1866..... 919

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1867.

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 3.

Return of Graduated Digest of Causes instituted from January to December 1866.

Year and Months	Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300 not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500	Above Rupees 500, not above Rupees 600	Above Rupees 600, not above Rupees 700.	Above Rupees 700, not above Rupees 800	Above Rupees 800, not above Rupees 900.	Above Rupees 900, not above Rupees 1,000.	Total.
1866.														
January	866	279	264	101	50	13	9	7	...	2	3	2	...	1,536
February	852	269	276	99	56	12	14	3	9	3	1	1	2	1,597
March	995	360	320	114	72	22	13	13	5	...	...	2	...	1,916
April	850	258	346	111	65	14	8	1	2	3	3	...	1	1,591
May	795	284	319	86	54	21	6	1	9	6	1	3	1	1,586
June	1,039	408	326	137	78	30	16	10	7	2	2	3	3	2,081
July	1,017	365	386	165	87	28	14	13	9	3	2	1	3	2,097
August	1,018	408	354	163	90	35	16	10	1	4	2	3	3	2,107
September... ... ... -	819	309	314	154	75	18	13	6	8	1	...	5	7	1,749
October	586	260	356	148	77	31	20	11	4	1	2	6	2	1,898
November	893	342	294	131	82	32	8	7	10	2	2	2	2	1,797
December	685	231	203	87	44	8	7	9	1	2	1	...	3	1,286
Total...	10,629	3,903	3,658	1,496	834	264	144	90	65	35	18	28	27	21,191

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 4.

A Statement of the Graduated Digest of costs of Summonses from January to December 1866.

Months.	Fees and Costs under Rupees 10			Fees and Costs under Rupees 20			Fees and Costs under Rupees 50			Fees and Costs under Rupees 100.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 200			Fees and Costs under Rupees 300.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 400.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 500			Fees and Costs under Rupees 600			Fees and Costs under Rupees 700			Fees and Costs under Rupees 800.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 900			Fees and Costs under Rupees 1,000			Total.		
1866.	Rs	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P
January	646	4	0	609	2	0	1,390	14	0	1,158	6	0	1,102	14	0	525	2	0	443	12	0	445	10	0	31	8	0	164	4	0	248	3	0	180	10	0	9	12	0	7,014	5	0
February	711	2	0	617	14	0	1,396	6	0	1,099	12	0	1,116	10	0	392	12	0	614	10	0	184	8	0	665	11	0	235	10	0	93	1	0	89	5	0	193	10	0	7,411	15	0
March	839	12	0	864	0	0	1,693	8	0	1,311	8	0	1,424	0	0	830	2	0	595	12	0	761	14	0	804	2	0	47	8	0	2	12	0	181	15	0	9	12	0	8,866	9	0
April	670	6	0	715	10	0	1,336	8	0	1,272	2	0	1,345	6	0	525	10	0	444	8	0	94	10	0	189	13	0	232	0	0	168	7	0	...	.	...	95	8	0	7,080	8	0
May	693	2	0	716	10	0	1,521	14	0	1,021	2	0	1,160	4	0	680	4	0	209	14	0	60	10	0	634	3	0	381	8	0	89	11	0	277	14	0	103	2	0	7,650	9	0
June	879	10	0	971	4	0	1,746	12	0	1,581	2	0	1,560	12	0	1,029	2	0	741	2	0	696	8	0	425	6	0	167	10	0	254	6	0	266	11	0	291	3	0	10,605	8	0
July	871	2	0	969	12	0	2,095	0	0	1,869	12	0	1,770	8	0	955	0	0	663	4	0	718	14	0	636	13	0	604	11	0	13	12	0	91	9	0	297	8	0	11,557	9	0
August	900	14	0	950	12	0	1,820	14	0	1,840	6	0	1,843	6	0	1,304	12	0	755	12	0	645	8	0	84	1	0	389	7	0	161	4	0	178	5	0	278	9	0	11,153	14	0
September... ...	1,747	14	0	757	0	0	1,543	4	0	1,737	4	0	1,556	6	0	637	10	0	506	14	0	391	0	0	552	13	0	89	5	0	2	12	0	442	7	0	685	6	0	10,749	15	0
October	759	0	0	886	8	0	1,710	12	0	1,724	10	0	1,704	6	0	1,068	10	0	996	8	0	663	4	0	288	15	0	85	10	0	162	7	0	581	7	0	197	14	0	18,829	15	0
November... ...	734	7	0	784	3	0	1,481	7	0	1,502	14	0	1,670	14	0	1,066	6	0	400	2	0	431	9	0	698	9	0	154	11	0	170	2	0	182	8	0	213	0	0	9,490	12	0
December	556	4	0	528	6	0	989	10	0	1,009	14	0	962	2	0	338	12	0	357	10	0	587	12	0	71	3	0	230	5	0	96	7	0	6	0	0	289	15	0	6,004	4	0
Total .	10,007	13	0	9,431	1	0	18,920	15	0	17,128	12	0	17,217	8	0	9,355	2	0	6,709	12	0	5,671	11	0	4,583	1	0	2,782	9	0	1,463	4	0	2,478	11	0	2,665	9	0	1,08,416	10	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW.
Chief Clerk.

No. 5.

A Statement showing the number of Causes remaining undecided on the 31st December 1866.

For want of Service.	Number of Causes postponed.					Remarks.
	For Plaintiffs or Defendants, or for parties witnesses.	For attachment.	At the request of Plaintiffs or Defendants, or both parties.	By order of Court.	Total.	
6	20	...	12	171	209	

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31st day of January 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 6.

Abstract Statement of Causes heard, and how disposed of, with the Commission and Fees leviable thereon, from January to December 1866.

Months.	Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suited.	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.	Commission and Fees.		
1866.								Rs.	A.	P.
January	826	68	64	47	725	...	1,730	6,246	10	0
February	778	31	52	31	541	...	1,433	6,726	14	0
March...	908	65	64	10	648	...	1,695	7,928	9	0
April	889	38	59	13	589	...	1,588	6,416	8	0
May	854	44	37	13	582	...	1,530	6,981	4	6
June	1,083	46	28	2	550	...	1,709	9,241	1	6
July	1,145	74	38	16	656	...	1,929	10,716	0	6
August	1,135	69	35	29	761	...	2,029	9,995	15	6
September	946	56	48	14	584	...	1,648	8,612	7	6
October	1,018	70	52	12	694	...	1,846	9,183	7	6
November	918	41	51	27	668	...	1,705	8,485	6	0
December	736	33	30	20	435	209	1,463	5,329	6	0
Total... ...	11,236	635	558	234	7,433	200	20,305	95,863	10	0

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The 31st day of January 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 7.

A Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized and credited in the Cash Account, from January 1865 *to December* 1866, *prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court, and rendered to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Bank of Madras.*

Months.	1865. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			1865. On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint process.			1865. Total.			Months.	1866. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			1866. On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint process.			1866. Total.			Total increase of Fees in 1866.			Total decrease of Fees in 1866.			Remarks.
1866.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	1866.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P.	
January	6,400	13	6	...	...	...	6,400	13	6	January	6,246	10	0	...	...	...	6,246	10	0	...	...	...	154	3	6	
February...	6,095	9	0	...	...	...	6,095	9	0	February	6,726	14	0	...	...	...	6,726	14	0	631	5	0	...	...	...	
March	6,396	0	0	...	...	...	6,396	0	0	March	7,928	9	0	...	...	...	7,928	9	0	1,532	9	0	...	...	...	
April	6,374	4	6	...	...	...	6,374	4	6	April	6,416	8	0	...	...	...	6,416	8	0	42	3	6	...	...	...	
May	7,044	13	0	...	...	...	7,044	13	0	May...	6,981	4	6	...	...	...	6,981	4	6	...	...	...	63	8	6	
June	6,312	10	6	...	...	...	6,312	10	6	June	9,241	1	6	...	...	...	9,241	1	6	2,928	7	0	...	...	...	
July	7,365	6	0	...	...	...	7,365	6	0	July	10 716	0	6	...	...	...	10,716	0	6	3,350	10	6	...	...	...	
August	6,988	9	0	...	...	...	6,988	9	0	August	9,995	15	6	...	...	...	9,995	15	6	3,007	6	6	...	...	...	
September	6,966	10	6	...	...	...	6,966	10	6	September	8,612	7	6	...	...	...	8,612	7	6	1,645	13	0	...	...	...	
October	7,632	6	6	...	...	...	7,632	6	6	October	9,183	7	6	...	...	...	9,183	7	6	1,551	1	0	...	...	...	
November	6,587	10	0	...	...	..	6,587	10	0	November	8,485	6	0	...	...	...	8,485	6	0	1,897	12	0	...	...	...	
December	6,184	9	0	...	...	...	6,184	9	0	December	5,329	6	0	...	...	...	5,329	6	0	...	...	...	855	3	0	
Total...	80,349	5	6	...	...	...	80,349	5	6	Total...	95,863	10	0	...	...	...	95,863	10	0	16,587	3	6	1,072	15	0	

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The 31*st day of January* 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 8.

Abstract Statement of sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their demands from January to December 1866.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on hand.....	.....	...	...	18,507	0	8							
To Cash received on Causes decreed in January 1866.	5,333	6	3				By Cash paid to Plaintiffs, &c., for Causes decreed in January 1866.	5,633	4	1			
Do. do. do. February do.	7,187	6	6				Do. do. do. February do.	6,763	8	11			
Do. do. do. March do.	7,639	11	8				Do. do. do. March do.	7,547	4	7			
Do do. do. April do.	7,652	6	3				Do. do. do. April do.	7,457	2	7			
Do. do. do. May do.	6,719	3	8				Do. do. do. May do.	7,044	1	2			
Do. do. do. June do.	10,387	3	0				Do. do. do. June do.	10,936	6	6			
Do. do. do. July do.	16,528	2	7				Do. do. do. July do.	16,421	7	5			
Do do. do. August do.	13,446	0	5				Do. do. do. August do.	13,081	12	8			
Do. do. do. September do.	12,048	3	8				Do. do. do. September do.	11,858	15	11			
Do. do. do. October do.	9,429	14	11				Do. do. do. October do.	8,410	1	0			
Do. do. do. November do.	8,600	11	2				Do. do. do. November do.	9,727	3	4			
Do. do. do December do.	7,287	6	4				Do. do. do. December do.	6,400	14	2			
				1,12,259	12	5					1,11,282	2	4
							Balance carried to next account ..	.....	.....	.....	19,484	10	9
Total.....	.....	.	...	1,30,766	13	1	Total.....	.....	.....	.....	1,30,766	13	1

Madras Court of Small Causes,
The 31st day of January 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW.
Chief Clerk.

No. 9.

Abstract of the particulars of demand from January to December 1866.

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered.	Other goods sold and delivered.	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.	Wages.	Work and labour	Work and labor, and materials	For money paid.	For money lent.	For money had and received.	On an account stated.	For use and occupation.	On Judgment.	Guarantee.	Partnership balance.	Other actions in Assumpsit	Trover.	Case	Trespass	Assault.	Replevin	Interpleader.	Recovery of small Tenements.	Ejectment.	Against Executors and representatives.	Covenant.	Total.
1866.																										
January	184	359	289	45	38	30	95	119	32	24	129	58	8	15	121	23	...	5	1	...	19	...	14	2	5	1,615
February	156	471	360	48	20	8	62	109	14	10	138	35	5	7	118	47	..	4	.	...	6	...	12	7	8	1,645
March	216	514	413	48	28	8	68	165	16	96	164	39	8	6	85	36	...	8	...	...	...	...	27	7	10	1,962
April	131	423	397	28	28	13	43	116	13	84	133	30	8	2	79	59	...	8	...	...	3	...	11	5	15	1,629
May	156	454	481	23	20	7	37	96	7	2	96	20	11	7	144	30	.	4	...	...	6	...	6	4	5	1,616
June	202	552	470	21	16	14	28	107	11	42	105	40	5	7	453	25	...	5	...	.	8	...	13	6	5	2,135
July	185	573	492	41	33	20	70	137	40	51	164	27	14	25	173	47	...	5	...	...	5	...	13	4	14	2,133
August	186	692	431	43	18	19	53	187	22	10	197	44	14	2	142	59	..	7	3	...	2	...	8	6	14	2,159
September	146	522	391	56	29	9	53	142	3	16	174	19	16	2	96	67	...	9	3	...	2	...	14	6	1	1,776
October	182	592	407	48	28	23	61	186	7	17	173	34	14	2	82	64	...	3	1	...	...	...	6	4	2	1,936
November	200	540	441	30	21	5	50	154	9	16	120	26	9		144	43	...	2	...	...	6	...	6	3	7	1,832
December	136	344	292	15	15	1	15	100	5	6	134	20	11	2	100	44	...	3	...	...	5	...	11	6	2	1,267
Total..	2,080	6,036	4,861	446	294	157	635	1,618	179	374	1,727	392	123	77	1,737	544	.	63	8	...	62	...	141	60	88	21,705

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The 31st day of January 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 10.

Statement of Causes instituted in the Distraint Department from January to December 1866, *with the amount of rent sued for, the gross amount of costs deposited, and the amount of costs credited to Government.*

Months	Compromised before Appraisement	Executed by sale	Dismissed before Appraisement.	Unexecuted.	Compromised after Appraisement.	Dismissed after Appraisement	Total number of Causes	Amount of Rent sued for.			Gross amount of costs deposited			Amount of costs credited to Government.			Amount of Subpœna fees.			Total amount credited to Government.		
1866.								Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January																						
February																						
March																						
April																						
May																						
June																						
July																						
August																						
September																						
October																						
November																						
December																						
Total																						

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The 31st day of January 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 11.

Statement showing the amount of Fines levied from January to December 1866.

Years	Months.	Amount		
		Rs.	A	P.
1866.	January			
,,	February			
,,	March			
,,	April			
,,	May			
,,	June			
,,	July	100	0	0
,,	August			
,,	September			
,,	October	100	0	0
,,	November			
,,	December			
	Total	200	0	0

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The 31st day of January 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 12.

Statement showing the Monthly Salaries of three Judges, and of the Establishment.

Monthly Salary of the						Establishment.			Total.		
First Judge.			Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each.								
Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
2,000	0	0	2,000	0	0	2,744	8	0	6,744	8	0

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The 31st day of January 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 13.

Abstract Statement of unrecovered Costs from January to December 1866.

Months	Pauper Suits			Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Costs of attachment ordered, but not taken out by parties.			Fees of second and further Summonses not being taken out by parties.			Costs of Warrants ordered against witnesses but not called for.			Total.		
1866.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	8	0	...	..	...	4	8	0
February	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	..	8	4	0	...	.	...	8	4	0
March	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	2	0	...	...	...	7	2	0
April...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	7	12	0	...	.	...	7	12	0
May	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	5	4	0	...	...	...	5	4	0
June...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	8	0	...	...	...	2	8	0
July	...	...	.	...	..	...	.	...	...	7	12	0	...	...	..	7	12	0
August	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	6	0	...	...	.	7	6	0
September... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	0	0	...	...	...	6	0	0
Oct ber	87	12	0	...	...	...	...	...	..	5	14	0	...	...	...	93	10	0
November... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	6	0	...	...	..	7	6	0
December... ...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	1	0	...	...	...	19	1	0
Total...	87	12	0	...	...	...	...	.	...	88	13	0	...	...	...	176	9	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
The 31*st day of January* 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk

No. 14.

Statement showing the number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes, and the amount of Fees realized thereon during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, *and* 1866, *together with the progressive increase and decrease of each year.*

Year	Number of Causes instituted	Increase of Causes in each year.	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each year			Decrease of Fees in each year		
				RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P
1851	23,668	.....	.....	37,417	7	0	....	...	...	.. ...	..	...
1852	24,392	724	.....	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	.....	...	...
1853	25,192	800	.....	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	.....	...	..
1854	26,483	1,291	.....	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	.....	.	..
1855	26,199	.....	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	.....	..	..
1856	22,869	.....	3,330	43,682	14	6	.....	...	...	8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	.....	5,195	36,909	10	6	.....	..	..	6,773	4	0
1858	18,020	346	.....	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	.....	..	...
1859	18,374	354	.....	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	.....	..	.
1860	19,778	1,404	.....	63,294	8	3	8,694	6	3	.....	.	..
1861	23,054	3,276	.....	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	.....	.	...
1862	22,345	.....	709	76,122	0	10	.....	...	...	14,926	0	8
1863	19,940	.....	2,405	69,364	6	10	.....	...	...	6,757	10	0
1864	20,781	841	.....	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	.....	..	...
1865	20,375	.....	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	.....	...	...
1866	21,191	816	.....	96,277	15	0	15,584	8	10	.....	.	..

MADRAS COURT of SMALL CAUSES,
The 31*st day of January* 1867.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

RETURN OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

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No. 12.

FROM

THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

To

THE HONORABLE R. S. ELLIS, C. B.,

Chief Secretary to Government,

Fort St. George.

SIR,

We have the honor to send, herewith, for submission to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the Seventeenth Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes, for the year which terminated on the 31st December last.

2. There is a surplus of Rupees 24,058-0-10 in favor of Government, over and above the expenses of the Court for the year, as appears by the following statement of receipts and expenses.

Amount of Commission and Fees, Fines, and unclaimed deposits realized and credited to Government, as follows:—

Commission and Fees ..	Rupees	91,167	14	6			
Fines...	,,	3	8	0			
Unclaimed Deposits	,,	296	7	5			
					91,467	13	11
Deduct expenses of the Court	...				67,409	13	1
Surplus in favor of Government	...	...			24,058	0	10

3. There is a decrease of two Causes in Suits for sums over Rupees 500 under the extended jurisdiction of the Court during the year, compared with the number instituted during the preceding year; but there has been an increase in the amount of property litigated to the extent of Rupees 10,386-15-11 in Suits instituted during the year, compared with the value of the property litigated during the preceding year, as appears by the following comparative statement:—

Number of Suits instituted		Amount of property	RS.	A.	P.
in 1866.	173	litigated in 1866.	1,12,079	12	9
Do. do. in 1867..	171	Do. do. in 1867	1,22,466	12	8
Decrease	2	Increase	10,386	15	11

4. There is also a decrease of 2,187 Causes during the year, compared with the number instituted during the preceding year, as appears by the following statement:—

Number of Causes instituted in 1866	21,191
Do. do. in 1867...	10,004
Decrease...	2,187

5. The Government will perceive, however, that the greater part of this decrease is in Suits for sums under 10 Rupees. In Suits for sums above 600 Rupees there is a slight increase this year, as will be seen by the following table:—

	1866.	1867.	Increase	Decrease.
In Suits not above Rupees 10	10,629	9,253	.....	1,376
Do. do. ,, 20	3,903	3,381	.....	522
Do. do. ,, 50	3,658	3,405	.....	253
Do. do. ,, 100	1,496	1,478	.....	18
Do. do. ,, 200	834	802	.....	32
Do. do. ,, 300	264	297	33	.....
Do. do. ,, 400	144	142	.....	2
Do. do. ,, 500	90	75	.....	15
Do. do. ,, 600	65	56	.....	9
Do. do. ,, 700	35	38	3	.....
Do. do. ,, 800	18	18	.....	.....
Do. do. ,, 900	28	28	.....	.....
Do. do. ,, 1,000	27	31	4	.....

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servants,

(Signed) E. F. WEBSTER,
(,,) G. E. COWER,
(,,) C. V. RUNGANADHA SHASTRY,
} *Judges.*

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
27th February 1868.

No. 1.

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Seventeenth year of its institution, namely, from January to December 1867.

Months	1			2	3	4	5	6
	Number of Suits instituted			The English cases bear to the Native cases the ratio of	Number of Summonses issued	Number of second and further Summonses issued	Number of Subpœnas issued	Number of Attachments issued.
	English.	Native	Total					
1867.								
January ...	222	1,346	1,568	1 to 6·063	1,915	469	1,370	.....
February...	201	1,457	1,658	1 to 7·248	2,032	613	1,035	.....
March ..	248	1,679	1,927	1 to 6·770	2,307	382	1,391	.....
April ...	127	1,137	1,264	1 to 8·952	1,534	421	1,054	.....
May... ..	226	1,429	1,655	1 to 6·323	1,797	245	1,235	.....
June ...	295	1,562	1,857	1 to 5 294	2,282	270	1,409	.....
July ...	304	1,835	2,139	1 to 6·036	2,545	594	1,524	.....
August ...	151	937	1,088	1 to 6·205	1,383	437	569	.. ...
September	.....	2	2	.....	3	6	24	.....
October ...	140	775	915	1 to 5 535	1,101	299	656	.....
November..	369	2,382	2,751	1 to 6·455	3,337	662	1,718	.....
December..	245	1,935	2,180	1 to 7·897	2,662	507	1,163	.....
Total...	2,528	16,476	19,004	1 to 6·517	22,898	4,905	13,148	.....

No. 1.—

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

Months.	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
	Number of Warrants issued	Number of Judges' Warrants issued	Number of copies of Judgments issued.	Number of Commitments issued	Number of Releases issued.	Number of Cases referred to Arbitration	Number of Warrants to sue and defend filed.	Appearances of parties to Suits		
								By Attorneys and Barristers.	By Vakeels.	In Person.
1867.										
January ...	586	.....	0	.....	11	15	103	58	50	1,460
February ...	617	.....	5	.....	6	25	67	32	35	1,591
March	648	.....	16	.....	15	15	188	102	86	1,739
April	468	.....	5	.....	18	20	151	53	98	1,113
May	584	3	0	.....	16	13	97	64	33	1,558
June	690	.....	12	.....	16	22	44	27	17	1,813
July	758	.....	21	.....	14	25	186	75	111	1,953
August ...	548	2	16	.....	16	24	89	49	40	999
September ...	342	.....	1	1	14	.....	1	.....	1	1
October ...	397	3	3	1	14	18	104	48	56	811
November ...	685	.....	16	.....	4	9	127	50	77	2,624
December ...	571	.....	15	.....	16	12	173	69	104	2,007
Total...	6,894	8	122	2	160	198	1,335	627	708	17,669

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Small Causes of the Seventeenth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued.)

15	16	17			18								
					Graduated digest of Costs received on institution of Suits, but of which portions have been returned to Suitors who may have compromised their cases before hearing.								
Number of days in which the Court was opened.	Average number of Suits instituted daily.	Amount litigated in the Suits instituted.			Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees.		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
23	65 739	55,514	10	1	666	14	0	619	14	0	1,369	4	0
22	66·045	64,938	6	4	662	14	0	723	4	0	1,494	0	0
24	66	64,168	1	10	807	14	0	835	4	0	1,555	15	0
16	80·875	50,599	0	5	530	10	0	543	10	0	1,181	6	0
21	73·047	57,046	8	9	702	12	0	613	4	0	1,507	12	0
24	49 916	77,384	7	7	759	14	0	820	0	0	1,787	0	0
27	77·370	77,929	8	3	821	10	0	958	8	0	2,190	12	0
14	76·5	49,129	3	10	421	0	0	470	6	0	1,019	4	0
.....	.....	136	14	0	2	4	0	0	8	0	5	8	0
9	96	33,252	5	2	343	8	0	411	0	0	910	14	0
25	92·44	98,185	13	10	1,119	6	0	1,198	2	0	2,463	6	0
17	114·588	69,576	2	1	675	10	0	1,316	8	0	1,886	0	0
222	75 936	6,97,860	13	2	7,514	4	0	8,540	4	0	17,371	1	0

No. 1.—

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

18.—(Concluded)

Months.	Graduated digest of Costs received														
	Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.		
1867.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	1,416	4	0	1,473	8	0	927	8	0	540	14	0	556	8	0
February	1,494	4	0	1,267	10	0	974	14	0	890	14	0	751	6	0
March	1,463	14	0	1,653	14	0	1,229	0	0	691	12	0	365	6	0
April...	842	0	0	1,147	8	0	728	2	0	583	0	0	317	10	0
May	1,413	0	0	1,356	12	0	629	10	0	688	2	0	191	14	0
June	1,578	6	0	1,686	14	0	931	8	0	870	8	0	657	2	0
July	1,863	4	0	1,908	2	0	1,157	10	0	665	14	0	353	6	0
August	1,017	10	0	1,040	2	0	506	6	0	398	4	0	243	0	0
September... ...	1	0	0	23	6	0	4	8	0	.....	...	...	.....	.	...
October	890	14	0	1,004	10	0	719	12	0	363	14	0	127	6	0
November	2,752	0	0	2,360	14	0	1,456	4	0	833	2	0	743	0	0
December	1,904	0	0	1,126	12	0	963	4	0	430	2	0	339	10	0
Total...	16,636	8	0	16,050	0	0	10,228	6	0	6,956	6	0	4,646	4	0

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Small Causes of the Seventeenth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued.)

on institution of Suits, &c —(Concluded)

Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 800 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rs			Total		
RS.	A	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.
372	14	0	2	8	0	160	12	0	117	3	0	193	7	0	8,417	6	0
357	12	0	152	9	0	162	15	0	261	11	0	214	13	0	9,508	14	0
435	3	0	160	14	0	166	12	0	207	6	0	103	4	0	9,676	6	0
354	3	0	381	10	0	85	12	0	96	9	0	388	11	0	7,180	11	0
360	9	0	258	11	0	258	6	0	174	15	0	375	12	0	8,531	7	0
411	5	0	465	8	0	446	5	0	347	7	0	492	8	0	11,254	5	0
358	10	0	458	5	0	84	8	0	359	4	0	388	9	0	11,568	6	0
5	8	0	230	15	0	2	12	0	280	3	0	103	7	0	5,738	13	0
.....		...	.....	...	...	.....	...	...	.....	...	...	.....	...	...	37	2	0
148	3	0	232	13	0	.....	..	..	91	15	0	96	0	0	5,340	13	0
644	1	0	412	10	0	81	11	0	363	4	0	127	2	0	14,554	14	0
581	9	0	176	5	0	84	0	0	175	12	0	483	6	0	10,172	14	0
4,029	13	0	2,932	12	0	1,533	13	0	2,575	9	0	2,966	15	0	1,01,981	15	0

No. 1.—

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

Months.	19. Graduated digest of Cases instituted							
	Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rs. 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500.
1867.								
January... ...	814	257	252	122	67	26	11	9
February ...	768	313	299	133	70	29	19	12
March	993	353	299	129	83	37	14	6
April	619	234	233	73	50	22	12	4
May...	849	262	304	124	65	17	14	3
June...	898	308	350	139	81	27	17	11
July...	1,016	358	433	161	95	34	12	6
August... ...	515	197	200	92	49	16	8	4
September ...	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	...
October... ...	389	182	174	83	48	22	8	2
November ...	1,277	521	496	254	114	40	17	12
December... ...	1,114	396	365	165	79	27	10	6
Total...	9,253	3,381	3,405	1,478	802	297	142	75

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Small Causes of the Seventeenth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued.)

during the year.						20 Disposal of Suits set down for hearing during the months opposite to which the numbers stand			
Above Rupees 500, not above Rupees 600	Above Rupees 600, not above Rupees 700	Above Rupees 700, not above Rupees 800	Above Rupees 800, not above Rupees 900.	Above Rupees 900, not above Rs. 1,000	Total.	Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suited	Struck off
5	...	2	1	2	1,568	728	58	63	48
5	2	2	4	2	1,658	802	38	28	7
6	2	2	2	1	1,927	889	36	43	32
5	5	1	1	5	1,264	743	30	48	43
5	3	3	2	4	1,655	893	72	31	70
6	6	5	4	5	1,857	775	23	34	27
5	7	1	4	4	2,139	1,207	71	96	101
...	3	...	3	1	1,088	573	21	47	12
...	...	...	...	...	2	.....	.....	...	...
2	3	...	1	1	915	451	14	35	19
9	5	1	4	1	2,751	1,308	57	67	7
8	2	1	2	5	2,180	1,012	33	34	25
56	38	18	28	31	19,004	9,381	453	526	391

No. 1.—

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

Months.	20.—(Concluded)			21								
	Disposal of Suits set down for hearing during the months opposite to which the numbers stand.			Amount carried to credit of Government on								
	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.	Fees on institution of Summonses.			Second and further Summonses' Fees.			Subpœnas' Fees.		
1867.				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January...	615	.....	1,512	7,661	10	0	223	2	0	532	10	0
February...	578	.....	1,453	8,898	6	0	176	0	0	422	0	0
March	584	.. ...	1,584	8,873	8	0	305	10	0	497	4	0
April	430	.....	1,294	6,608	9	0	161	2	0	411	0	0
May...	468	.....	1,534	7,840	13	0	164	2	0	517	8	0
June...	339	.....	1,198	10,463	1	0	280	0	0	511	4	0
July...	614	.....	2,089	10,774	4	0	266	6	0	527	12	0
August	418	.....	1,071	5,350	11	0	192	12	0	191	6	0
September	.....	.....	.....	19	4	0	7	0	0	10	14	0
October...	845	.....	864	5,068	13	0	75	0	0	197	0	0
November	872	.....	2,311	13,693	12	0	265	4	0	589	2	0
December...	659	185	1,948	9,541	4	0	216	14	0	414	12	0
Total...	5,922	185	16,858	94,802	15	0	2,333	4	0	4,822	8	0

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Small Causes of the Seventeenth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued.)

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account of Fees deposited during the months opposite to which the amount stands

Warrants, Notices, and Interpleader Summonses, Fees, &c.			Fees realized in Pauper Suits.			Total gross amount			Amount of half costs.			Net amount carried to credit of Government.			Amount repaid to Suitors on account of compromised cases		
RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
335	14	0	.....	...	.	8,753	4	0	1,307	10	0	7,445	10	0	1,307	10	0
335	1	0	12	8	0	9,843	15	0	1,148	8	0	8,695	7	0	1,148	8	0
699	9	5	.....	...	...	10,375	15	5	1,791	8	6	8,584	6	11	1,791	8	6
462	5	0	.....	...	...	7,643	0	0	951	0	0	6,692	0	0	951	0	0
440	11	0	.. ...	.	.	8,972	2	0	1,662	0	0	7,310	2	0	1,662	0	0
469	3	0	... ..	...	...	11,723	8	0	1,501	15	6	10,221	8	6	1,501	15	6
559	12	0	.....	...	..	12,128	2	0	1,754	4	6	10,373	13	6	1,754	4	6
428	10	0	4	0	0	6,167	7	0	1,538	10	6	4,628	12	6	1,538	10	6
254	6	6	.....	...	.	291	8	6	16	10	0	274	14	6	16	10	0
258	10	0	. ....			5,599	7	0	410	7	6	5,188	15	6	410	7	6
482	13	0	6	12	0	15,037	11	0	1,962	12	6	13,074	14	6	1,962	12	6
516	4	0	.....	...	...	10,689	2	0	1,715	5	0	8,973	13	0	1,715	5	0
5,243	2	11	23	4	0	1,07,225	1	11	15,760	12	0	91,464	5	11	15,760	12	0

No. 1.—*(Concluded.)*

A Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Seventeenth year of its institution, &c.—(Concluded.)

Months.	23			24			25			26		
	Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers			Amount paid into Court by Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount paid out of Court to Suitors on account of cases decreed.			Amount of Fines levied		
1867.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January...	.....	...	...	9,277	14	2	8,028	8	3	3	8	0
February	.....	...	...	9,297	12	0	11,049	15	10	.....	..	..
March	.....	...	...	10,444	10	4	9,606	8	10	.....	. .	...
April	.....	...	..	7,871	3	3	8,509	8	8	.....	.	..
May	.....	...	...	9,241	12	9	8,681	8	10	.....	...	...
June	.....	...	...	9,632	13	0	10,437	14	3	.....	..	
July	.....	...	...	15,519	15	3	14,813	11	8	.....	...	...
August	.....	...	...	10,639	15	0	11,213	14	4	.....	.	,
September	.....	...	..	4,970	7	3	5,017	6	5	.....	...	...
October...	.....	...	...	4,379	6	3	4,107	13	8	.....	.	..
November	.....	..	...	11,257	3	6	11,262	13	9	.....	...	...
December	.....	...	...	8,936	13	5	9,166	8	10	.....	..	..
Total...	.....	...	...	1,11,472	14	2	1,11,896	5	4	3	8	0

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1867, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays .. .. 52 days.

New Year's day, Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension day, Her Majesty's and Prince of Wales' Birth-days, and Christmas day... ... ... 7 ,,

Adjournment of the Court from 19th August to 19th October, both days inclusive, (except Saturdays, Sundays, and other holidays) .. .. 42 ,,

Hindoo and other holidays scattered throughout the year (including Saturdays during the adjournment)..... ... ... 42 ,,

Total .. 143 ,,

The Court sat .. 222 ,,

Total .. 365 ,,

During the adjournment, one of the Judges and one-third of the Court establishment attended daily, (except on Saturdays, Sundays, and other authorized holidays,) for the despatch of emergent business.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
1*st February* 1868.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 2.

Comparative Table of Causes heard and decided from January to December 1866, *and from January to December* 1867.

	January.		Febr u ary.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1866.	1867.	1866.	1867.	1866.	1867.	1866.	1867.	1866.	1867.	1866	1867.	1866	1867.	1866.	1867.	1866.	1867.	1866	1867.	1866.	1867.	1866.	1867.	1866.	1867.
Judgment for Plaintiff... ...	826	728	778	802	908	889	889	743	854	893	1,083	775	1,145	1,207	1,135	573	946	...	1,018	451	918	1,308	736	1,012	11,236	9,381
Judgment for Defendant ...	68	58	31	38	65	30	38	30	44	72	46	23	74	71	69	21	56	...	70	14	41	57	33	33	635	453
Non-suited and struck off ...	111	111	83	35	74	75	72	91	50	101	30	61	54	197	64	59	62	...	64	54	78	74	50	59	792	917
Compremised.....	725	615	541	578	648	584	589	430	582	468	550	339	656	614	761	418	584	...	694	345	668	872	435	659	7,433	5,922
Undecided	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	209	185	209	185
Total ..	1,730	1,512	1,433	1,453	1,695	1,584	1,588	1,294	1,530	1,534	1,709	1,198	1,929	2,089	2,029	1,071	1,648	..	1,846	864	1,705	2,311	1,463	1,948	20,305	16,858

MEMORANDUM.

Number of Causes heard and decided in 1866..... 20,305
Do. do. do. in 1867..... 16,858

Decrease in 1867..... 3,447

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
1st February 1868.

(Signed) D SHAW.
Chief Clerk.

No. 3.

Return of Graduated Digest of Causes instituted from January to December 1867.

Year and Months.	Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Abcve Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500	Above Rupees 500, not above Rupees 600	Above Rupees 600, not above Rupees 700	Above Rupees 700, not above Rupees 800	Above Rupees 800, not above Rupees 900	Above Rupees 900, not above Rs 1,000	Total
1867.														
January	814	257	252	122	67	26	11	9	5	..	2	1	2	1,568
February...	768	313	299	133	70	29	19	12	5	2	2	4	2	1,658
March...	993	353	299	129	83	37	14	6	6	2	2	2	1	1,927
April...	619	234	233	73	50	22	12	4	5	5	1	1	5	1,264
May...	849	262	304	124	65	17	14	3	5	3	3	2	4	1,655
June...	898	308	350	139	81	27	17	11	6	6	5	4	5	1,857
July...	1,016	358	433	164	95	34	12	6	5	7	1	4	4	2,139
August...	515	197	200	93	49	16	8	4	...	3	...	3	1	1,088
September...	1	... ...	... ...	.....	1	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	2
October...	389	182	174	83	48	23	8	3	2	3	...	1	1	915
November...	1,277	521	496	254	114	40	17	12	9	5	1	4	1	2,751
December...	1,114	396	365	165	79	27	10	6	8	2	1	2	5	2,180
Total...	9,253	3,381	3,405	1,478	802	297	142	75	56	38	18	28	31	19,004

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
1st February 1868

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 4.

A Statement of the Graduated Digest of costs of Summonses from January to December 1867

Months	Fees and Costs under Rupees 10			Fees and Costs under Rupees 20			Fees and Costs under Rupees 50			Fees and Costs under Rupees 100.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 200			Fees and Costs under Rupees 300			Fees and Costs under Rupees 400			Fees and Costs under Rupees 500			Fees and Costs under Rupees 600			Fees and Costs under Rupees 700			Fees and Costs under Rupees 800			Fees and Costs under Rupees 900			Fees and Costs under Rupees 1,000			Total		
1867	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P.	Rs	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P
January .	666	14	0	619	14	0	1,369	4	0	1,416	4	0	1,473	8	0	927	8	0	540	14	0	556	8	0	372	14	0	2	8	0	160	12	0	117	3	0	193	7	0	8,417	6	0
February .	662	14	0	733	4	0	1 494	0	0	1,494	4	0	1,267	10	0	974	14	0	890	14	0	751	6	0	357	12	0	152	9	0	162	15	0	361	11	0	214	13	0	9 503	14	0
March . ..	807	14	0	835	4	0	1,555	15	0	1,463	14	0	1,653	14	0	1,329	0	0	691	12	0	365	6	0	435	3	0	160	14	0	166	12	0	207	6	0	103	4	0	9 676	6	0
April	530	10	0	543	10	0	1,181	6	0	842	0	0	1,147	8	0	728	2	0	583	0	0	317	10	0	354	3	0	381	10	0	85	12	0	96	9	0	388	11	0	7,180	11	0
May	702	12	0	613	4	0	1,507	13	0	1,413	0	0	1,356	13	0	629	10	0	668	2	0	191	14	0	360	9	0	258	11	0	258	6	0	174	15	0	375	12	0	8,531	7	0
June...	759	14	0	830	0	0	1,787	0	0	1,573	6	0	1,686	14	0	931	8	0	870	8	0	657	2	0	411	5	0	465	8	0	446	5	0	347	7	0	492	8	0	11,754	5	0
July	821	10	0	958	8	0	2,190	1	0	1,863	4	0	1,908	2	0	1,157	10	0	665	14	0	353	6	0	358	10	0	458	5	0	84	8	0	359	4	0	388	9	0	11,568	6	0
August . ..	421	0	0	470	6	0	1,019	4	0	1,017	10	0	1,040	2	0	506	6	0	398	4	0	343	0	0	5	8	0	230	15	0	2	12	0	280	3	0	108	7	0	5,738	13	0
September	2	4	0	0	8	0	5	8	0	1	0	0	23	6	0	4	8	0																							37	2	0
October ..	343	8	0	411	0	0	910	14	0	890	14	0	1,004	10	0	719	12	0	363	14	0	127	6	0	148	3	0	232	13	0	..		..	91	15	0	96	0	0	5,340	13	0
November ..	1,119	6	0	1,198	2	0	2,463	6	0	2,753	0	0	2,360	14	0	1,456	4	0	833	2	0	743	0	0	644	1	0	412	10	0	81	11	0	863	4	0	127	2	0	14,534	14	0
December ...	675	10	0	1,346	8	0	1,886	0	0	1,904	0	0	1,126	12	0	963	4	0	430	2	0	339	10	0	581	9	0	176	5	0	84	0	0	175	12	0	483	6	0	10,173	14	0
Total ..	7,514	4	0	8,540	4	0	17,371	1	0	16,636	8	0	16,050	0	0	10,228	6	0	6,956	6	0	4,646	4	0	4,039	12	0	2,982	12	0	1,533	13	0	2,575	9	0	2,966	15	0	1,01,981	15	0

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1st February 1868

(Signed) D SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 5.

A Statement showing the number of Causes remaining undecided on the 31st December 1867.

For want of Service.	Number of Causes postponed					Remarks.
	For Plaintiffs or Defendants, or for parties' witnesses	For attachment.	At the request of Plaintiffs or Defendants, or both parties	By order of Court.	Total.	
7	33	...	7	138	185	

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(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 6.

Abstract Statement of Causes heard, and how disposed of, with the Commission and Fees leviable thereon, from January to December 1867.

Months.	Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suited.	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.	Commission and Fees.		
1867.								RS.	A.	P.
January ...	728	58	63	48	615	.....	1,512	7,445	10	0
February...	802	38	28	7	578	.....	1,453	8,695	7	0
March ..	889	36	43	32	584	.....	1,584	8,287	15	6
April ...	743	30	48	43	430	.....	1,294	6,692	0	0
May... ...	893	72	31	70	468	.....	1,534	7,310	2	0
June ...	775	23	34	27	339	.....	1,198	10,221	8	6
July... ...	1,207	71	96	101	614	.....	2,089	10,373	13	6
August ...	573	21	47	12	418	.....	1,071	4,628	12	6
September.	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	274	14	6
October ...	451	14	35	19	345	.....	864	5,188	15	6
November.	1,308	57	67	7	872	.....	2,311	13,074	14	6
December.	1,012	33	34	25	659	185	1,948	8,973	13	0
Total...	9,381	453	526	391	5,922	185	16,858	91,167	14	6

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1st *February* 1868.

(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 7.

A Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized and credited in the Cash Account, from January 1866 *to December* 1867, *prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court, and rendered to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Bank of Madras.*

Months.	1866. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			1866. On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint process.			1866. Total.			Months.	1867. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			1867. On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint process.			1867. Total.			Total increase of Fees in 1867.			Total decrease of Fees in 1867.			Remarks.
1866.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	1867.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
January...	6,246	10	0	...	...	...	6,246	10	0	January...	7,445	10	0	...	...	...	7,445	10	0	1,199	0	0	...	...	...	
February...	6,726	14	0	...	...	...	6,726	14	0	February...	8,695	7	0	...	...	...	8,695	7	0	1,968	9	0	...	...	...	
March...	7,928	9	0	...	...	...	7,928	9	0	March...	8,287	15	6	...	...	...	8,287	15	6	359	6	6	...	...	...	
April...	6,416	8	0	...	...	...	6,416	8	0	April...	6,692	0	0	...	...	...	6,692	0	0	275	8	0	...	...	...	
May...	6,981	4	6	...	...	...	6,981	4	6	May...	7,310	2	0	...	...	...	7,310	2	0	328	13	6	...	...	...	
June...	9,241	1	6	...	...	...	9,241	1	6	June...	10,221	8	6	...	...	...	10,221	8	6	980	7	0	...	...	...	
July...	10,716	0	6	...	...	...	10,716	0	6	July...	10,373	13	6	...	...	...	10,373	13	6	...	...	.	342	3	0	
August...	9,995	15	6	...	...	...	9,995	15	6	August...	4,628	12	6	...	...	...	4,628	12	6	...	...	...	5,367	3	0	
September...	8,612	7	6	...	...	...	8,612	7	6	September...	274	14	6	...	...	...	274	14	6	...	...	...	8,337	9	0	
October...	9,183	7	6	...	...	...	9,183	7	6	October...	5,188	15	6	...	...	...	5,188	15	6	...	...	...	3,994	8	0	
November...	8,485	6	0	...	...	...	8,485	6	0	November ..	13,074	14	6	...	...	...	13,074	14	6	4,589	8	6	...	...	...	
December...	5,329	6	0	...	...	...	5,329	6	0	December...	8,973	13	0	...	...	..	8,973	13	0	3,644	7	0	...	...	...	
Total...	95,863	10	0	...	...	...	95,863	10	0	Total...	91,167	14	6	...	...	...	91,167	14	6	13,345	11	6	18,041	7	0	

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(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 8.

Abstract Statement of sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their demands, from January to December 1867.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on hand...	.....	...	...	19,484	10	9							
To Cash received on Causes decreed in January 1867...	9,277	14	2				By Cash paid to Plaintiffs, &c., for Causes decreed in January 1867.	8,028	8	3			
Do. do. do. February ,, ...	9,297	12	0				Do. do. do. February ,,	11,049	15	10			
Do. do. do. March ,, ...	10,444	10	4				Do. do. do. March ,,	9,606	8	10			
Do. do. do. April ,, ...	7,871	3	3				Do. do. do. April ,,	8,509	8	8			
Do. do. do. May ,, ...	9,244	12	9				Do. do. do. May ,,	8,681	8	10			
Do. do. do. June ,, ...	9,632	13	0				Do. do. do. June ,,	10,437	14	3			
Do. do. do. July ,, ...	15,519	15	3				Do. do. do. July ,,	14,813	11	8			
Do. do. do. August ,, ...	10,639	15	0				Do. do. do. August ,,	11,213	14	4			
Do. do. do. September ,, ...	4,970	7	3				Do. do. do. September ,,	5,017	6	5			
Do. do. do. October ,, ...	4,379	6	3				Do. do. do. October ,,	4,107	13	8			
Do. do. do. November ,, ...	11,257	3	6				Do. do. do. November ,,	11,262	13	9			
Do. do. do. December ,, ...	8,936	13	5				Do. do. do. December ,,	9,166	8	10			
				1,11,472	14	2					1,11,896	5	4
							Balance carried to next account...	.....	...	...	19,061	3	7
Total...	.....	...	...	1,30,957	8	11	Total...	.....	...	...	1,30,957	8	11

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Chief Clerk.

No. 9.

Abstract of the particulars of demand from January to December 1867.

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered.	Other goods sold and delivered	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.	Wages.	Work and labor.	Work and labor, and materials	For money paid.	For money lent.	For money had and received.	On an account stated	For use and occupation	On Judgment	Guarantee.	Partnership balance	Other actions in Assumpsit.	Trover	Case	Trespass.	Damage.	Assault	Replevin	Interpleader	Recovery of small Tenements	Ejectment.	Against Executors and representatives	Covenant.	Total.
1867.																											
January	134	484	369	21	14	10	49	134	6	2	160	36	9	4	97	50	...	1	9	...	...	15	...	9	4	6	1,623
February	126	535	370	27	17	3	40	134	9	2	185	7	5	4	143	31	...	4	6	...	...	4	...	9	3	8	1,672
March...	199	601	444	32	30	24	44	149	6	7	163	28	16	10	136	40	...	...	5	...	...	10	...	11	5	10	1,970
April	96	377	287	21	9	11	40	121	3	5	116	35	7	2	99	47	...	..	7	..	...	1	...	7	8	9	1,308
May	182	517	327	32	20	17	54	123	16	2	153	13	10	36	76	47	...	5	10	5	...	8	...	12	8	11	1,684
June	126	590	416	32	19	13	79	132	10	2	166	11	8	28	130	69	...	6	2	1	...	5	...	13	4	15	1,877
July	275	763	427	40	28	6	40	146	14	25	168	13	4	41	93	33	...	1	3	...	...	13	...	15	4	17	2,169
August	84	350	242	24	11	5	25	51	18	13	100	24	13	6	83	38	...	1	5	...	...	6	...	17	1	2	1,119
September	.....	.....	1	...	...	...	...	.....	...	...	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	..	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	4
October	110	202	134	39	40	34	31	30	33	24	45	31	26	18	128	10	...	1	2	4	...	5	...	1	4	3	955
November	231	801	784	46	18	17	106	228	5	9	230	78	15	3	171	50	...	...	2	...	..	3	...	20	6	15	2,838
December	193	349	451	54	64	59	99	190	82	21	215	29	26	11	265	43	...	7	22	...	...	3	...	16	2	13	2,214
Total...	1,756	5,569	4,252	368	270	199	607	1,438	202	112	1,701	305	139	163	1,421	458	...	26	73	10	...	75	...	131	49	109	19,433

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(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 10.

Statement showing the amount of Fines levied from January to December 1867.

Year.	Months.	Amount.		
		RS.	A	P.
1867.	January	3	8	0
,,	February	.....	...	...
,,	March	.....	...	...
,,	April	.....	...	...
,,	May	.....	...	...
,,	June...	.....	...	...
,,	July	.....	.	...
,,	August...	.....	...	...
,,	September	.....	...	...
,,	October	.....	...	...
,,	November	.....	...	...
,,	December	.....	...	...
	Total.....	3	8	0

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(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 11.

Statement showing the monthly Salaries of three Judges, and of the Establishment.

Monthly salary of the						Establishment.			Total.		
First Judge			Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each.								
RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
2,000	0	0	2,000	0	0	2,794	8	0	6,794	8	0

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(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 12.

Abstract Statement of unrecovered Costs from January to December 1867.

Months	Pauper Suits			Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be paupers			Costs of attachment ordered, but not taken out by parties.			Fees of second and further Summonses not being taken out by parties.			Costs of Warrants ordered against witnesses but not called for			Total.		
1867.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January.	5	8	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	12	0	...	...	...	9	4	0
February	14	14	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	0	0	...	...	...	26	14	0
March	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	10	0	...	...	...	6	10	0
April..... ...	97	14	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	0	0	...	...	...	110	14	0
May... ...	4	2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	0	...	...	...	5	4	0
June	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	1	8	0	...	...	...	1	8	0
July..... ...	11	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	6	0	...	...	...	25	6	0
August	5	4	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	10	0	...	...	...	16	14	0
September. ...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
October... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	8	0	...	...	...	7	8	0
November. ...	8	8	0	...	..	...	...	..	...	7	6	0	...	...	...	15	14	0
December. ...	33	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	2	0	...	...	...	55	2	0
Total ..	180	2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	101	0	0	...	...	...	281	2	0

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(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

No. 13.

Statement showing the number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the amount of Fees realized thereon during the years 1851 *to* 1867, *together with the progressive increase and decrease of each year.*

Year.	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each year	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each year			Decrease of Fees in each year		
				RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1851	23,668	.....	... ..	37,417	7	0	.....	...	...	.....	...	...
1852	24,392	724	.....	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	.....	...	...
1853	25,192	800	.....	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	.....	...	...
1854	26,483	1,291	.....	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	.....	..	...
1855	26,199	.....	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	.....	...	...
1856	22,869	.....	3,330	43,682	14	6	.....	...	...	8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	.....	5,195	36,909	10	6	... ..	..	...	6,773	4	0
1858	18,020	346	.....	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	.. ...	...	...
1859	18,374	354	.....	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	.....	...	...
1860	19,778	1,404	.....	63,294	8	3	8,694	6	3	.....	...	...
1861	23,054	3,276	. ...	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	. .. .	...	...
1862	22,345	.....	709	76,122	0	10	.....	...	...	14,926	0	8
1863	19,940	.....	2,405	69,364	6	10	.....	...	...	6,757	10	0
1864	20,781	841	.....	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	.....	...	...
1865	20,375	.....	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	.....	...	..
1866	21,191	816	.....	96,277	15	0	15,584	8	10	. ....	...	...
1867	19,004	.....	2,187	91,467	13	11	.....	...	...	4,810	1	1

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(Signed) D. SHAW,
Chief Clerk.

RETURN OF CASES

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DURING THE YEAR 1868.

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MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
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No. 27.

From

THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

To

THE HONOURABLE R. S. ELLIS, C.B.,

Chief Secretary to Government,

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

WE have the honour to send herewith, for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council, the Eighteenth Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes, for the year ending 31st December 1868.

2. The number of cases instituted in this Court during the year is 20,134, being an increase of 1,130 cases as compared with the number instituted in the preceding year. But in suits for sums over 500 Rupees there is a decrease of 16 cases, as appears from the following statement:—

		Over Rs. 500.
Instituted in 1867 ..	19,004	„ 171
Do. in 1868	20,134	„ 155
	1,130	16

3. The receipts on account of fees, &c., during the year, amounted to Rupees 90,386-6-8, including the sum of Rupees 464-10-2, being the amount of deposits unclaimed by suitors from 1861; and the cost of the establishment, including the salaries of the Judges and contingent charges, amounted to Rupees 75,817-0-5, leaving a balance to the credit of Government of Rupees 14,596-6-3, which is less than the amount of surplus shown in the Report for 1867 by Rupees 9,461-10-7. This decrease is principally caused by the increase of expenditure in 1868.

4. There were 20,699 cases set down for hearing during the year 1868. Of these, 10,785 cases were decided in favour of the plaintiffs; 459 cases were decided in favour of defendants; 576 cases were non-suited; 7,662 were compromised; 904 were struck off on default of plaintiffs; and 313 were pending at the close of the

year, which, added to 1,643, the number of suits instituted in 1868 but returnable in 1869, makes 1,956, the balance of suits pending at the end of 1868, as appears from the following tabular statement.—

STATEMENT *showing the number of Cases set down for hearing during the year* 1868, *and the disposal of those Cases.*

		Judgment for Plaintiff	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suit	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided		Total
							2nd Summons pending	Partly heard and adjourned.	
Cases pending from 1867	2,208	1,146	57	72	111	803	2	17	2,208
Cases instituted in 1868.....	20,134	9,639	402	504	793	6,859	14	280	18,491+1,643*=20,134
Total	22,342	10,785	459	576	904	7,662	16	297	22,342

313 + 1,643 = 1,956, balance of suits pending at the end of 1868.

* Summonses issued in 1868 but returnable in 1869.

5. The following table shows at a glance the business connected with the 20,134 suits instituted in 1868, together with the manner in which they were disposed of:—

1868.	Cases instituted in 1868			Number of copies of Summonses issued	Number of second and further Summonses issued	Number of Subpœnas issued	Attachment	Warrant	Judges' Warrant	Copies of Judgments	Commitments	Rolments	Referred to arbitration	Warrant to sue and defend filed		In person	Disposal of suits instituted in 1868								Total.
	English.	Native	Total											By Attorneys.	By Vakeels	Total		Judgment for Plaintiff	Do. for Defendant	Non-suit	Struck off	Compromised	Second Summonses pending	Cases adjourned to next year	Summonses made returnable next year	
																		Under ded								
January ...	282	1,294	1,576	1,828	427	1,451	...	387	1	9	...	19	13	67	106	173	1,403	461	20	30	31	245	...	...	...	785
February ..	231	1,744	1,975	2,356	591	1,436	..	760	4	20	..	13	13	54	53	107	1,868	873	23	34	41	535	1	..	1	1,108
March ...	246	1,830	2,076	2,502	579	1,435	.	760	5	31	2	11	8	49	53	102	1,974	967	52	69	98	741	...	4	4	1,935
April	193	1,647	1,840	1,911	533	1,093	...	555	...	9	...	10	8	56	63	119	1,421	757	25	53	59	546	2	...	2	1,444
May.....	219	1,617	1,836	2,209	541	1,446	1	620	..	4	..	7	5	65	56	121	1,715	1,171	30	74	96	852	1	1	7	2,234
June	192	1,927	2,119	2,485	470	1,643	...	752	.	7	..	29	12	34	41	75	2,044	875	55	49	65	522	1	14	7	1,588
July	320	2,155	2,475	2,973	736	1,784	..	804	1	17	1	11	21	53	42	93	2,380	1,254	55	58	94	864	1	26	35	2,405
August ...	76	897	973	1,199	386	799	1	598	...	19	...	11	6	23	60	83	890	535	19	21	41	441	...	15	38	1,110
September	3	8	11	17	2	28	..	383	2	2	..	14	.	2	3	5	6	4	...	...	...	4	1	.	..	9
October ..	239	860	1,099	1,853	438	1,065	...	488	...	6	...	10	5	10	50	60	1,039	568	33	29	39	535	2	24	27	1,347
November.	290	2,180	2,470	2,995	419	1,598	..	565	3	17	...	18	11	60	84	144	2,326	1,093	49	33	109	828	3	120	258	2,493
December .	186	1,796	1,984	*2,476	433	1,814	...	574	.	10	..	14	6	43	31	74	1,910	1,081	51	56	120	738	2	74	1,264	3,376
Total	2,477	17,667	20,134	24,304	5,615	15,036	2	7,445	16	151	3	167	108	516	643	1,159	18,976	9,639	402	504	793	6,859	14	280	1,613	20,134

6. The following comparative table shows the classes of cases which have increased and decreased during the year :—

	1867.	1868.	Increase.	Decrease
In suits not above Rupees 10	9,253	10,211	958	...
Do. ,, 20.....	3,381	3,583	202	...
Do ,, 50.....	3,405	3,345	...	60
Do ,, 100	1,478	1,496	18	.
Do. ,, 200...	802	849	47	...
Do. ,, 300.....	297	284	...	13
Do ,, 400	142	142	...	...
Do ,, 500.....	75	69	. .	6
Do ,, 600	56	61	5	...
Do. ,, 700	38	42	4	...
Do. ,, 800....	18	22	4	...
Do. ,, 900.	28	21	...	7
Do. ,, 1,000.....	31	9	...	22

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

(Signed) T. M. BUSTEED.

(,,) G. E. COWER.

(,,) C. RUNGANADA SHASTRY.

No. 1.

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Eighteenth year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1868.

Months.	1			2	3	4	5	6
	Number of suits instituted.			The English cases bear to the Native cases the ratio of	Number of Summonses issued.	Number of second and further Summonses issued.	Number of Subpœnas issued.	Number of Attachments issued.
	English.	Native	Total.					
1868.								
January...	282	1,294	1,576	1 to 4·588	1,828	427	1,451	.....
Februar...	231	1,744	1,975	1 to 7·549	2,356	591	1,436	.....
March ...	246	1,830	2,076	1 to 7·439	2,502	579	1,435	.....
April ...	193	1,347	1,540	1 to 6·979	1,911	533	1,032	.....
May ...	219	1,617	1,836	1 to 7·383	2,209	541	1,446	1
June ...	192	1,927	2,119	1 to 10·036	2,485	470	1,648	.....
July ...	320	2,155	2,475	1 to 6·734	2,973	736	1,784	.....
August ...	76	897	973	1 to 11·802	1,199	386	799	1
September.	3	8	11	1 to 2·666	17	2	28	.....
October ...	239	860	1,099	1 to 3·598	1,353	438	1,065	.....
November.	290	2,180	2,470	1 to 7·517	2,995	419	1,598	.....
December.	186	1,798	1,984	1 to 9·666	2,476	493	1,314	.....
Total...	2,477	17,657	20,134	1 to 7·128	24,304	5,615	15,036	2

No. 1—

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

Months	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			14
	Number of Warrants issued	Number of Judges' Warrants issued.	Number of Copies of Judgments issued	Number of Commitments issued.	Number of Releases issued.	Number of Cases referred to arbitration.	Number of Warrants to sue and defend filed			In Person.
							By Attorneys and Barristers.	By Vakeels.	Total	
1868.										
January ...	587	1	9	.....	19	13	67	106	173	1,403
February ...	760	4	20	.....	13	13	54	53	107	1,868
March ...	760	5	31	2	11	8	49	53	102	1,974
April ..	555	. ..	9	.. ...	10	8	56	63	119	1,421
May ...	620	.....	4	... ..	7	5	65	56	121	1,715
June ...	752	.....	7	.....	29	12	34	41	75	2,044
July ...	804	1	17	1	11	21	53	42	95	2,380
August ...	598	.....	19	.....	11	6	23	60	83	890
September...	382	2	2	.....	14	.....	2	3	5	6
October ...	188	.....	6	.....	10	5	10	50	60	1,039
November...	565	3	17	.....	18	11	60	84	144	2,326
December ..	574	.....	10	.....	11	6	43	31	74	1,910
Total...	7,445	16	151	3	167	108	516	642	1,158	18,976

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Small Causes of the Eighteenth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued.)

15	16	17			18								
Number of days in which the Court was opened.	Average number of suits instituted daily.	Amount litigated in the suits instituted.			Graduated digest of costs received on institution of suits, but of which portions have been returned to suitors who may have compromised their cases before hearing.								
					Fees and costs under 10 Rupees.			Fees and costs under 20 Rupees.			Fees and costs under 50 Rupees.		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
20	78·8	50,755	9	11	660	6	0	773	2	0	1,391	2	0
23	85·869	72,172	13	5	799	14	0	803	10	0	1,647	4	0
25	83·04	71,288	8	5	862	12	0	916	4	0	1,790	0	0
18	85·555	52,727	5	10	640	2	0	732	12	0	1,350	6	0
21	87·428	58,309	4	4	735	2	0	721	8	0	1,713	0	0
25	84·76	62,817	5	6	953	6	0	859	6	0	1,849	0	0
27	91·666	98,495	9	9	1,006	12	0	1,007	0	0	2,075	2	0
12	81·083	32,897	8	11	414	6	0	433	4	0	833	14	0
.....	.....	2,374	8	0	0	4	0	0	12	0	10	6	0
12	91·583	35,235	14	6	462	14	0	459	0	0	1,017	6	0
23	107·391	78,455	4	8	1,035	4	0	1,064	0	0	1,972	8	0
19	104·421	58,869	12	11	910	0	0	769	0	0	1,562	10	0
225	89·484	6,74,399	10	2	8,481	2	0	8,539	10	0	17,212	10	0

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Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

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Months.	Graduated digest of costs received														
	Fees and costs under 100 Rupees.			Fees and costs under 200 Rupees.			Fees and costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and costs under 400 Rupees			Fees and costs under 500 Rupees		
1868.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	1,099	0	0	1,287	4	0	689	6	0	260	10	0	209	14	0
February	1,730	14	0	1,728	2	0	772	12	0	1,097	8	0	482	4	0
March	1,752	10	0	1,669	14	0	1,076	0	0	820	8	0	434	14	0
April	1,323	8	0	1,178	2	6	461	10	0	718	10	0	480	4	0
May	1,520	8	6	1,687	14	0	995	10	0	433	0	0	258	6	0
June	1,416	4	0	1,764	14	0	901	0	0	371	14	0	644	2	0
July	2,352	12	0	2,682	2	0	1,616	4	0	1,051	2	0	346	2	0
August	825	12	0	824	6	0	595	10	0	338	10	0	337	12	0
September	28	8	0	55	12	0	37	14	0	49	12	0	64	6	0
October	1,110	4	0	845	8	0	523	8	0	522	14	0	196	0	0
November	2,029	8	0	2,267	6	0	1,338	4	0	696	2	0	426	14	0
December	1,435	4	0	1,321	14	0	774	2	0	440	8	0	491	14	0
Total...	16,624	12	6	17,313	2	6	9,782	0	0	6,801	2	0	4,372	12	0

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Small Causes of the Eighteenth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued.)

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on institution of suits, &c.—(Concluded.)

Fees and costs under 600 Rupees.			Fees and costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and costs under 800 Rupees.			Fees and costs under 900 Rupees.			Fees and costs under 1,000 Rs.			Total.		
RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
567	10	0	377	5	0	95	2	0	114	13	0	187	15	0	7,713	9	0
621	7	0	233	2	0	177	6	0	373	6	0	35	12	0	10,503	5	0
372	6	0	422	8	0	343	3	0	93	4	0	128	14	0	10,683	1	0
73	7	0	375	1	0	168	0	0	448	11	0	.....	...	...	7,950	9	6
298	13	0	252	8	0	94	4	0	185	1	0	16	4	0	8,911	14	6
427	8	0	236	13	0	5	8	0	98	14	0	91	3	0	9,619	12	0
852	4	0	381	6	0	329	6	0	378	14	0	98	13	0	14,177	15	0
410	8	0	83	5	0	2	12	0	112	15	0	156	10	0	5,369	12	0
.....	...	...	.....	...	...	81	5	0	.....	...	..	.....	...	...	328	15	0
6	12	0	166	6	0	82	14	0	9	0	0	101	0	0	5,503	6	0
569	4	0	256	4	0	182	11	0	111	5	0	188	13	0	12,138	3	0
221	5	0	485	7	0	331	1	0	91	6	0	9	12	0	8,844	3	0
4,421	4	0	3,270	1	0	1,893	8	0	2,017	9	0	1,015	0	0	1,01,744	9	0

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Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

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Months.	Graduated digest of cases instituted							
	Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500.
1868.								
January ...	792	323	256	99	62	19	5	3
February ...	1,012	333	312	159	87	24	23	7
March	1,028	379	357	158	81	33	17	7
April	752	306	261	118	55	13	14	8
May	916	307	335	142	84	29	9	4
June	1,134	362	353	130	83	27	9	10
July	1,196	415	414	212	136	47	23	6
August	490	183	158	68	38	16	6	5
September ...	.....	.....	2	2	3	1	1	1
October	536	195	195	98	42	14	12	3
November ...	1,256	452	393	180	113	39	14	7
December ...	1,099	328	309	130	65	22	9	8
Total...	10,211	3,582	3,345	1,496	849	284	142	69

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Small Causes of the Eighteenth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued.)

during the year.						20 Disposal of suits set down for hearing during the months opposite to which the numbers stand.			
Above Rupees 500, not above Rupees 600.	Above Rupees 600, not above Rupees 700.	Above Rupees 700, not above Rupees 800.	Above Rupees 800, not above Rupees 900.	Above Rupees 900, not above Rs. 1,000.	Total.	Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suited.	Struck off.
8	5	1	1	2	1,576	461	20	30	31
9	3	2	4	...	1,975	873	23	34	41
5	5	4	1	1	2,076	967	52	69	98
1	5	2	5	...	1,540	757	25	53	59
4	3	1	2	...	1,836	1,171	30	74	96
6	3	...	1	1	2,119	875	55	49	65
11	6	4	4	1	2,475	1,254	55	56	94
6	1	...	1	1	973	535	19	21	41
...	...	1	...	...	11	4	...	...	...
...	2	1	...	1	1,099	568	23	29	39
8	3	2	1	2	2,470	1,093	49	33	109
3	6	4	1	...	1,984	1,081	51	56	120
61	42	22	21	9	20,134	9,639	402	504	793

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Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of

Months.	20—(Concluded.)			21								
	Disposal of suits set down for hearing during the months opposite to which the numbers stand.			Amount carried to credit of Government on								
	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.	Fees on institution of Summons.			Second and further Summonses' Fees.			Subpœnas' Fees.		
1868.				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	243	.....	785	7,030	9	0	192	0	0	401	0	0
February	535	.....	1,506	9,685	11	0	278	8	0	539	2	0
March	741	.....	1,927	9,902	7	0	293	4	0	483	6	0
April	546	.....	1,440	7,392	5	0	151	6	0	393	2	0
May	852	.....	2,223	8,258	0	0	180	0	0	464	0	0
June	522	.....	1,566	8,851	12	0	218	10	0	549	6	0
July	884	.....	2,343	13,242	3	0	293	4	0	642	8	0
August	441	.....	1,057	4,812	2	0	159	2	0	398	8	0
September	4	.....	8	308	11	0	2	8	0	17	12	0
October	535	.....	1,194	5,028	0	0	82	6	0	393	0	0
November	828	.....	2,112	11,375	3	0	234	10	0	528	6	0
December	728	1,937	3,973	8,261	5	0	171	0	0	410	12	0
Total...	6,859	1,937	20,134	94,148	4	0	2,256	10	0	5,310	14	0

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Small Causes of the Eighteenth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued.)

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account of fees deposited during the months opposite to which the amount stands

Warrants, Notices, and Interpleader Summonses, Fees, &c.			Fees realized in Pauper Suits			Total gross amount			Amount of half cost.			Net amount carried to credit of Government.			Amount repaid to Suitors on account of compromised cases		
Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
371	7	0	.....	..	..	8,085	0	0	1,354	10	0	6,730	6	0	1,354	10	0
477	1	0	.....	...	..	10,980	6	0	1,407	10	0	9,572	12	0	1,407	10	0
1,059	12	2	4	0	0	11,742	13	2	2,075	1	0	9,667	12	2	2,075	1	0
437	3	6	13	12	6	8,387	13	0	1,360	12	0	7,027	1	0	1,360	12	0
418	14	0	9	14	6	9,330	12	6	1,355	2	6	7,975	10	0	1,355	2	6
466	7	0	...	...	...	10,086	3	0	1,656	15	0	8,429	4	0	1,656	15	0
697	13	0	.....	..	...	14,875	12	0	1,703	2	0	13,172	10	0	1,703	2	0
395	7	0	.....	. .	...	5,765	3	0	1,378	3	6	4,386	15	6	1,378	3	6
310	12	6	...	...	...	639	11	6	171	13	6	467	14	0	171	13	6
293	15	0	.....	...	..	5,797	5	0	1,130	4	0	4,667	1	0	1,130	4	0
383	6	0	.....	..	...	12,521	9	0	1,774	1	0	10,747	8	0	1,774	1	0
412	10	6	1	2	0	9,256	13	6	1,715	4	6	7,541	9	0	1,715	4	6
5,724	12	8	28	13	0	1,07,469	5	8	17,082	15	0	90,386	6	8	17,082	15	0

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Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Eighteenth year of its institution, &c.—(Concluded.)

Months	23			24			25			26		
	Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Amount paid into Court on account of cases decreed.			Amount paid out of Court on account of cases decreed.			Amount of Fines.		
1868.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	.....	..	...	10,521	12	11	9,725	7	10	.....	...	...
February	.....	...	...	10,131	12	6	9,208	13	0	.....	...	...
March	.....	...	...	10,858	8	2	12,331	2	1	.....	...	...
April	.....	...	...	9,460	9	4	8,773	12	6	.....	...	...
May	.....	...	...	8,881	13	5	9,096	5	1	.....	...	...
June	.....	...	...	12,709	3	5	12,376	1	9	.....	...	...
July	.....	...	...	12,588	12	5	12,100	12	11	.....	...	...
August	.....	...	..	10,790	15	7	9,074	12	4	.....	...	...
September	.....	...	...	6,059	15	5	6,669	14	11	.....	...	...
October	.....	..	...	5,501	11	6	6,267	6	9	.....	...	...
November	.....	...	...	9,668	4	3	7,609	1	5	.....	...	...
December	.....	...	...	8,646	9	10	9,525	12	7	.....	...	...
Total...	.....	...	...	1,15,820	0	9	1,12,759	7	2	.....	...	...

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1868, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays .... 52 days.
New Year's Day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension Day, Her Majesty's and Prince of Wales' Birth-days, and Christmas Day ..... 7 ,,
Adjournment of the Court from 17th August to 17th October, both days inclusive, (except Saturdays, Sundays, and other holidays)..... ..... 40 ,,
Hindoo and other holidays scattered throughout the year, (including Saturdays during the adjournment) .... 42 ,,

Total... 141 ,,
The Court sat... 225 ,,

Total... 366 ,,

During the adjournment one of the Judges and one-third of the Court establishment attended daily (except on Saturdays, Sundays, and other authorized holidays) for despatch of emergent business.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES, 30*th April* 1869.

(Signed) P. RUNGANADUM MOODELLY
Acting Chief Clerk.

No. 2.

Comparative Table of Causes heard and decided from January to December 1867 *and from January to December* 1868.

	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.
Judgment for Plaintiff... ...	728	461	802	873	889	967	743	757	893	1,171	775	875	1,207	1,254	573	535	...	4	451	568	1,308	1,093	1,012	1,081	9,381	9,639
Do. for Defendant ...	58	20	38	23	36	52	30	25	72	30	33	55	71	55	21	19	...	...	14	23	57	49	33	51	453	402
Non-suited and struck off...	111	54	35	60	75	103	91	85	101	132	61	78	197	82	59	32	...	...	54	43	74	93	59	106	917	868
Compromised.....	615	243	578	535	584	741	430	546	468	853	339	522	614	884	418	441	...	4	345	535	872	828	659	728	5,922	6,859
Undecided.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,208	1,956	2,208	1,956
Total ...	1,512	778	1,453	1,491	1,584	1,863	1,294	1,413	1,534	2,185	1,198	1,530	2,089	2,275	1,071	1,027	...	8	864	1,169	2,311	2,063	3,971	3,922	18,881	19,724

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES, 30th *April* 1869.

(Signed) P. RUNGANADUM MOODELLY,
Acting Chief Clerk.

No. 3.

Return of Graduated Digest of Causes instituted from January to December 1868.

Year and Months.	Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500.	Above Rupees 500, not above Rupees 600.	Above Rupees 600, not above Rupees 700	Above Rupees 700, not above Rupees 800.	Above Rupees 800, not above Rupees 900.	Above Rupees 900, not above Rupees 1,000.	Total.
1868.														
January	792	323	256	99	62	19	5	3	8	5	1	1	2	1,576
February	1,012	333	312	159	87	24	23	7	9	3	2	4	...	1,975
March	1,028	379	357	168	81	33	17	7	5	5	4	1	1	2,076
April	752	306	261	118	55	13	14	8	1	5	2	5	...	1,540
May	916	307	335	142	84	29	9	4	4	3	1	2	...	1,836
June	1,134	362	353	130	83	27	9	10	6	3	...	1	1	2,119
July	1,196	415	414	212	136	47	23	6	11	6	4	4	1	2,475
August	490	183	158	68	38	16	6	5	6	1	...	1	1	973
September	...	...	2	2	3	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	11
October	536	195	195	98	42	14	12	3	...	2	1	...	1	1,099
November	1,256	452	393	180	113	39	14	7	8	3	2	1	2	2,470
December	1,099	328	309	130	65	22	9	8	3	6	4	1	...	1,984
Total ..	10,211	3,583	3,345	1,496	849	284	142	69	61	42	22	21	9	20,134

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(Signed) P. RUNGANADUM MOODELLY,
Acting Chief Clerk.

No. 4.

Statement of the Graduated Digest of Costs of Summonses from January to December 1868.

Year and Months.	Fees and costs under Rupees 10.			Fees and costs under Rupees 20.			Fees and costs under Rupees 50			Fees and costs under Rupees 100.			Fees and costs under Rupees 200.			Fees and costs under Rupees 300.			Fees and costs under Rupees 400.			Fees and costs under Rupees 500.			Fees and costs under Rupees 600			Fees and costs under Rupees 700.			Fees and costs under Rupees 800.			Fees and costs under Rupees 900.			Fees and costs under Rupees 1,000.			Total.		
1868.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January ...	660	6	0	773	2	0	1,391	2	0	1,099	0	0	1,287	4	0	689	6	0	260	10	0	209	14	0	567	10	0	377	5	0	95	2	0	114	13	0	187	15	0	7,713	9	0
February..	799	14	0	803	10	0	1,647	4	0	1,730	14	0	1,738	2	0	772	12	0	1,097	8	0	482	4	0	621	7	0	233	2	0	177	6	0	373	6	0	35	12	0	10,503	5	0
March ...	863	12	0	916	4	0	1,790	0	0	1,753	10	0	1,669	14	0	1,076	0	0	820	8	0	434	14	0	373	6	0	422	8	0	343	3	0	93	4	0	128	14	0	10,683	1	0
April ...	640	2	0	732	12	0	1,350	6	0	1,322	8	0	1,178	2	6	461	10	0	718	10	0	486	4	0	73	7	0	375	1	0	168	0	0	448	11	0	...	...	..	7,950	9	6
May ...	735	2	0	731	8	0	1,713	0	0	1,520	8	6	1,687	14	0	995	10	0	433	0	0	258	6	0	298	12	0	252	8	0	94	4	0	185	1	0	16	4	0	8,911	14	6
June ...	953	6	0	859	6	0	1,849	0	0	1,416	4	0	1,764	14	0	901	0	0	371	14	0	644	2	0	427	8	0	236	13	0	5	8	0	98	14	0	91	3	0	9,619	12	0
July ...	1,006	12	0	1,007	0	0	2,075	2	0	2,252	12	0	2,682	2	0	1,616	4	0	1,051	2	0	346	2	0	852	4	0	381	6	0	329	6	0	378	14	0	98	13	0	14,177	15	0
August ...	414	6	0	433	4	0	833	14	0	825	12	0	834	6	0	595	10	0	338	10	0	337	13	0	410	8	0	83	5	0	2	12	0	112	15	0	156	10	0	5,369	12	0
September.	0	4	0	0	12	0	10	6	0	28	8	0	55	12	0	37	14	0	49	12	0	64	6	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	81	5	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	328	15	0
October ...	462	14	0	453	0	0	1,017	6	0	1,110	4	0	845	8	0	533	8	0	532	14	0	196	0	0	6	12	0	166	6	0	82	14	0	9	0	0	101	0	0	5,503	6	0
November.	1,035	4	0	1,064	0	0	1,972	8	0	2,029	8	0	2,267	6	0	1,338	4	0	696	2	0	426	14	0	569	4	0	256	4	0	182	11	0	111	5	0	188	12	0	12,138	3	0
December.	910	0	0	769	0	0	1,562	10	0	1,435	4	0	1,321	14	0	774	2	0	449	8	0	491	14	0	221	5	0	485	7	0	331	1	0	91	6	0	9	12	0	8,844	3	0
Total...	8,481	2	0	8,539	10	0	17,212	10	0	16,624	12	6	17,313	2	6	9,782	0	0	6,801	2	0	4,373	12	0	4,421	4	0	3,270	1	0	1,893	3	0	2,017	9	0	1,015	0	0	1,01,744	9	0

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30th April 1869.

(Signed) P. RUNGANADUM MOODELLY,
Acting Chief Clerk.

No. 5.

Statement showing the number of Causes remaining undecided on the 31st December 1868.

For want of service.	Number of Causes Postponed						Remarks.
	For Plaintiffs or Defendants, or for parties' witnesses.	For attachment	At the request of Plaintiffs or Defendants, or both parties.	By order of Court.	Undecided.	Total.	
13	53	2	36	176	1,657	1,937	

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(Signed) P. RUNGANADUM MOODELLY,
Acting Chief Clerk.

No. 6.

Abstract Statement of Causes heard and how disposed of with the Commission and Fees leviable thereon, from January to December 1868.

Year and Months.	Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suited.	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.	Commission.		
1868.								Rs.	A.	P.
January ...	461	20	30	31	243	...	785	6,730	6	0
February...	873	23	34	41	535	...	1,506	9,572	12	0
March ...	967	52	69	98	741	...	1,927	9,203	2	0
April ...	757	25	53	59	546	...	1,440	7,027	1	0
May ...	1,171	30	74	96	852	...	2,223	7,975	10	0
June ...	875	55	49	65	522	...	1,566	8,429	4	0
July ...	1,254	55	56	94	884	...	2,343	13,172	10	0
August ...	535	19	21	41	441	...	1,057	4,386	15	6
September..	4	...	...	...	4	...	8	467	14	0
October ...	568	23	29	39	535	...	1,194	4,667	1	0
November..	1,093	49	33	109	828	...	2,112	10,747	8	0
December...	1,081	51	56	120	728	1,937	3,973	7,541	9	0
Total...	9,039	402	504	793	6,859	1,937	20,134	89,921	12	6

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(Signed) P. RUNGANADUM MOODELLY,
Acting Chief Clerk.

No. 7.

Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized and credited in Cash Account from January 1867 to December 1868, prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court and rendered to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Bank of Madras.

Year and Months.	1867. On account of fees received on the institution and prosecution of suits.			On account of fees received on the issue of distraint process.			Total.			Year and Months.	1868. On account of fees received on the institution and prosecution of suits.			On account of fees received on the issue of distraint process.			Total.			Total increase of fees in 1868.			Total decrease of fees in 1868.			Remarks.
1867.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	1868.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	
January	7,445	10	0	...	...	...	7,445	10	0	January	6,730	6	0	...	...	...	6,730	6	0	...	...	...	715	4	0	
February	8,695	7	0	...	...	...	8,695	7	0	February	9,572	12	0	...	...	...	9,572	12	0	877	5	0	...	...	...	
March	8,287	15	6	...	...	...	8,287	15	6	March	9,203	2	0	...	...	...	9,203	2	0	915	2	6	...	...	...	
April	6,692	0	0	...	...	...	6,692	0	0	April	7,027	1	0	...	...	...	7,027	1	0	335	1	0	...	...	...	
May	7,310	2	0	...	...	...	7,310	2	0	May	7,975	10	0	...	...	...	7,975	10	0	665	8	0	...	...	...	
June	10,221	8	6	...	...	...	10,221	8	6	June	8,429	4	0	...	...	...	8,429	4	0	...	...	...	1,792	4	6	
July	10,373	13	6	...	...	...	10,373	13	6	July	13,172	10	0	...	...	...	13,172	10	0	2,798	12	6	...	...	...	
August	4,628	12	6	...	...	...	4,628	12	6	August	4,386	15	6	...	...	...	4,386	15	6	...	...	...	241	13	0	
September	274	14	6	...	...	...	274	14	6	September	467	14	0	...	...	...	467	14	0	192	15	6	...	...	...	
October	5,188	15	6	...	...	...	5,188	15	6	October	4,667	1	0	...	...	...	4,667	1	0	...	...	...	521	14	6	
November	13,074	14	6	...	...	...	13,074	14	6	November	10,747	8	0	...	...	...	10,747	8	0	...	...	...	2,327	6	6	
December	8,973	13	0	...	...	...	8,973	13	0	December	7,541	9	0	...	...	...	7,541	9	0	...	...	...	1,432	4	0	
Total ..	91,167	14	6	...	...	...	91,167	14	6	Total...	89,921	12	6	...	...	...	89,921	12	6	5,784	12	6	7,030	14	6	

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30th April 1869.

(Signed) P. RUNGANADUM MOODELLY,
Acting Chief Clerk.

No. 8.

Abstract Statement of Sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their demands, from January to December 1868.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on hand...	.....	...	...	19,061	3	7
By Cash received on Causes decreed in January 1868.....	10,521	12	11			
Do. do. do. February ,, ...	10,131	12	6			
Do do. do. March ,, ...	10,858	8	2			
Do. do. do. April ,, ...	9,460	9	4			
Do. do. do. May ,, ...	8,881	13	5			
Do do do. June ,, ...	12,709	3	5			
Do. do. do. July ,, ...	12,588	12	5			
Do. do. do. August ,, ...	10,790	15	7			
Do. do. do. September ,, ...	6,059	15	5			
Do do. do October ,, ...	5,501	11	6			
Do. do. do. November ,, ...	9,668	4	3			
Do. do do. December ,, ...	8,646	9	10			
				1,15,820	0	9
Total...	.....	...	...	1,34,881	4	4

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
To Cash paid to Plaintiffs, &c, for Causes decreed in January 1868...	9,725	7	10			
Do. do. do. February ,,	9,208	13	0			
Do. do. do. March ,,	12,331	2	1			
Do. do. do. April ,,	8,775	12	6			
Do. do. do. May ,,	9,096	5	1			
Do. do. do. June ,,	12,376	1	9			
Do. do. do. July ,,	12,100	12	11			
Do. do. do. August ,,	9,074	12	4			
Do. do. do. September ,,	6,669	14	11			
Do. do. do. October ,,	6,267	6	9			
Do. do. do November ,,	7,609	1	5			
Do. do. do. December ,,	9,525	12	7			
				1,12,759	7	2
Balance carried to next account...	.....	...	..	22,121	13	2
Total .	.....	...	..	1,34,881	4	4

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30th April 1869

(Signed P RUNGANADUM MOODELLY,
Acting Chief Clerk.

No. 9

Abstract of the particulars of Demand from January to December 1868.

Year and Months	Cloths sold and delivered	Other goods sold and delivered	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes	Wages.	Work and labour	Work and labour and materials	For money paid	For money lent	For money had and received.	On an account stated.	For use and occupation.	On Judgment	Guarantee	Partnership balance	Other actions in Assumpsit	Trover.	Case	Trespass	Assault	Damage	Interpleader	Recovery of small Tenements	Ejectment	Against Executors and Representatives	Covenant.	Total
1868																										
January ..	210	380	194	87	57	4	53	140	37	85	93	97	11	20	106	66	.	1	.	2	12	...	18	1	12	1,686
February	203	533	464	63	29	9	53	181	21	22	209	99	15	2	77	63	...	1		12	8		10	...	8	2,082
March ...	184	508	539	37	21	1	53	169	6	106	187	39	14	...	168	66	..	1		5	10	..	11	...	...	2,125
April ...	138	377	411	14	15	...	35	130	7	151	138	23	10	...	55	45				2	22	..	8	1	4	1,586
May ...	203	453	462	42	11	1	28	139	11	143	136	37	11	11	127	48	...	.	1	1	12	...	6	1	2	1,886
June ...	414	509	408	76	35	20	44	133	15	160	144	43	9	10	92	30	.	6	1	4	12		7	.	2	2,174
July ...	262	707	642	41	34	...	60	178	35	159	192	46	10	2	88	44		.	.	10	14	..	9	.	2	2,535
August .	84	237	207	26	8	...	39	90	5	56	119	25	1	...	38	23	.	1	...	4	...	...	14	...	1	998
September ...	.	1	5	...	...	1	...	...	..	1		..	1	...	2	.	.			.	5	.	...	...		16
October ...	119	259	321	49	8	10	10	81	12	66	64	26	2	4	56	30	...	3	..	..	13	...	5	...	..	1,138
November ...	236	532	650	94	22	4	69	149	15	220	184	60	13	5	173	57	..	1	2	19	4	...	10	1	15	2,535
December ...	182	462	463	36	21	13	53	155	14	189	161	35	11	1	133	69	..	...	...	6	4	..	15	...	.	2,023
Total...	2,235	4,958	4,766	565	261	63	517	1,545	178	1,358	1,627	530	108	55	1,115	541	..	14	4	65	116	..	113	4	46	20,784

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
30th April 1869.

(Signed) P RUNGANADUM MOODELLY,
Acting Chief Clerk.

No. 10.

Statement showing the monthly salaries of three Judges and of the Establishment.

First Judge.			Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each.			Establishment			Total		
Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P
2,000	0	0	2,000	0	0	2,794	8	0	6,794	8	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
30*th April* 1869.

(Signed) P. RUNGANADUM MOODELLY,
Acting Chief Clerk.

No. 11.

Abstract Statement of unrecovered Costs from January to December 1868.

Year and Months.	Pauper suits.			Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be paupers.			Costs of attachment ordered but not taken out by parties.			Fees of second and further Summonses not being taken out by parties.			Costs of Warrants ordered against witnesses but not called for.			Total.		
1868.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January ...	11	12	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...	11	12	0
February ...	67	4	0	.	.	...		...	.	1	4	0	...	...	..	68	8	0
March ...	27	2	0	...	...	...	...	.	..	.	...	...	...	..	..	27	2	0
April ...	7	4	0	...	...	...	...	...		0	10	0	...	...	...	7	14	0
May ...	14	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	12	0	...	..	...	15	12	0
June ...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	0	2	0	...	...	..	0	2	0
July	48	12	0	...	.	...	...	..	.	1	4	0	...	...	...	50	0	0
August .	45	12	0	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	45	12	0
September ...	...	..	...	. .		...	...	...	...	1	0	0	...	...	...	1	0	0
October . .	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	1	12	0	...	..	...	1	12	0
November ...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	1	8	0	...	...	...	1	8	0
December .	23	0	0	...	.	..	...	...	...	0	4	0	...	...	...	23	4	0
Total .	244	14	0	...	..	...	...	.	.	9	8	0	...	...	..	254	6	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
30*th April* 1869.

(Signed) P. RUNGANADUM MOODELLY,
Acting Chief Clerk.

No. 12.

Statement showing the number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the amount of Fees realized thereon during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, and 1868, *together with the progressive increase and decrease in each year.*

Year	Number of causes instituted.	Increase of causes in each year.	Decrease of causes in each year	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each year.			Decrease of Fees in each year.		
				RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1851 ..	23,668	.....	.....	37,417	7	0	.....	...	...	.....	...	...
1852...	24,392	724	.....	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	.....	...	...
1853...	25,192	800	.....	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	.....	...	...
1854...	26,483	1,291	.....	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	.....	...	...
1855...	26,199	.....	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	.....	...	...
1856...	22,869	.....	3,330	43,682	14	6	.....	...	...	8,071	13	6
1857 ..	17,674	.....	5,195	36,909	10	6	.....	...	...	6,773	4	0
1858 .	18,020	346	.....	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	.....	...	...
1859...	18,374	354	.....	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	.....	...	...
1860	19,778	1,404	.....	63,294	8	3	8,694	6	3	.....	...	...
1861...	23,054	3,276	.....	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	.....	...	...
1862...	22,345	.....	709	76,122	0	10	.....	...	...	14,926	0	8
1863 .	19,940	.....	2,405	69,364	6	10	.....	...	...	6,757	10	0
1864 ..	20,781	841	.....	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	.....	...	...
1865...	20,375	.....	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	.....	...	...
1866...	21,191	816	.....	96,277	15	0	15,584	8	10	.....	..	...
1867...	19,004	.....	2,187	91,467	13	11	.....	...	...	4,810	1	1
1868 ..	20,134	1,130	.....	90,386	6	8	.....	..	...	1,081	7	3

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(Signed) P. RUNGANADUM MOODELLY,
Acting Chief Clerk.

RETURN OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1869.

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MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
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No. 76.

FROM

THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

To

THE HON'BLE R. S. ELLIS, C.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

SIR,

We have the honour to send herewith, for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council, the Nineteenth Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the year ending 31st December 1869.

2. The number of cases instituted in this Court during the year is 20,674, being an increase of 540 cases as compared with the number instituted in the preceding year. But in suits for sums over 500 rupees, there is a decrease of 44 cases, as appears from the following statement:—

		Over Rs 500
Instituted in 1868	20,134	155
Do. in 1869	20,674	111
	540	44

3. The receipt on account of fees, &c., during the year, amounted to Rupees 85,886-14-11, including the sum of Rupees 272-10-5 which was credited to Government on account of deposits unclaimed by suitors for 1862; and the cost of the establishment, including the salaries of the Judges and contingent charges, amounted to Rupees 78,077-7-4, leaving a balance to the credit of Government of Rupees 7,809-7-7.

4. There were 20,093 cases set down for hearing during the year under report. Of these 10,806 cases were decided in favour of the plaintiffs; 551 cases were decided in favour of the defendants; 528 cases were non-suited; 1,583 cases were struck off on default of plaintiffs; 6,822 cases were compromised; and 703

cases were pending at the close of the year, which, added to 1,637 cases instituted in 1869 but returnable in 1870, makes 2,340 pending on the 1st January 1870, as appears from the following tabular statement:—

STATEMENT *showing the number of Cases set down for hearing during the year* 1869, *and the disposal of those Cases.*

		Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suit.	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.		Total.	Instituted in 1869, but made returnable in 1870.	Grand Total
							Partly heard and adjourned	On account of Summons not being served			
Cases pending from 1868...	1,956	1,033	100	78	223	515	6	1	1,956	...	1,956
Cases instituted in 1869..	20,674	9,773	451	450	1360	6,307	194	502	19,037	1,637	20,674
Total	22,630	10,806	551	528	1583	6,822	200	503	20,993	1,637	22,630

5. There were 41 Commissions to take evidence issued to this Court under Section 175, Act. VIII. of 1859, in reference to cases instituted in the Mofussil Courts, under which 100 witnesses were examined.

6. The following table shows at a glance the business connected with 20,674 suits instituted in 1869, together with the manner in which they were disposed of:—

1869	Cases instituted in 1869.			Number of Copies of Summonses issued	Number of Second and further Summonses issued.	Number of Subpœnas issued.	Attachment.	Warrant.	Judges' Warrant.	Copies of Judgments.	Commitments.	Releases.	Referred to Arbitration.	Warrant to sue and defend filed			In person.	Disposal of Suits instituted in 1869.									Total.	Decree passed under Section 53 of Act XX of 1866.
	English.	Native.	Total.											By Attorneys.	By Vakeels	Total.		Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suit.	Struck off.	Withdrawn.	Compromised.	Undecided.				
																								Second Summons pending.	Cases adjourned to next year.	Instituted in 1869, but returnable in 1870		
January	181	1,405	1,586	1,922	401	1,710	...	593	...	7	..	17	11	63	93	156	1,430	814	54	36	131	...	551	...	...	...	1,586	...
February	218	1,737	1,955	2,371	586	1,629	...	643	...	14	..	15	24	44	56	100	1,855	1,053	58	45	157	.	638	...	4	...	1,955	...
March	217	1,619	1,836	2,185	424	1,604	...	645	2	14	1	8	13	42	52	94	1,742	961	36	43	129	...	656	9	2	...	1,836	...
April	226	1,730	1,956	2,344	456	1,745	..	594	1	6	1	28	14	60	101	161	1,795	1,054	32	57	153	3	649	4	4	...	1,956	...
May	251	2,069	2,320	2,779	515	2,201	...	745	...	13	...	20	9	73	85	158	2,162	1,215	65	67	158	...	796	11	8	...	2,320	...
June	178	2,013	2,191	2,507	572	2,262	..	716	2	8	...	17	14	48	101	149	2,042	1,176	37	59	177	.	723	14	5	...	2,191	...
July	198	1,994	2,192	2,629	514	2,205	1	798	...	19	..	20	20	61	112	173	2,019	1,104	58	42	141	.	813	27	8	...	2,192	...
August	78	945	1,023	1,220	354	811	.	597	4	11	1	16	6	18	7	25	998	486	30	20	105	...	357	17	8	...	1,023	...
September	3	14	17	22	4	165	..	354	1	10	..	16	5	4	...	4	13	6	1	1	...	...	4	3	2	...	17	...
October	125	1,008	1,133	1,386	280	1,269	...	460	1	2	...	14	15	49	62	111	1,023	616	31	29	57	..	341	45	14	...	1,133	...
November ..	292	2,135	2,427	2,940	538	2,304	...	703	2	10	.	7	14	53	64	117	2,310	1,128	47	39	108	1	683	310	106	5	2,427	...
December . ..	249	1,789	2,038	2,474	385	1,575	..	632	2	15	...	29	7	93	85	178	1,860	160	2	12	39	1	97	62	33	1,632	2,038	1
Total...	2,216	18,458	20,674	24,779	5,029	19,480	1	7,480	15	129	3	198	152	608	818	1,426	19,248	9,773	451	450	1,355	5	6,307	502	194	1,647	20,674	1

7. The following comparative table shows the classes of cases which have increased and decreased during the year:—

	1868.	1869	Increase	Decrease
In suits not above Rupees 10	10,211	10,441	230	.
Do. „ 20	3,583	3,774	191	..
Do „ 50	3,345	3,518	173	...
Do. „ 100	1,496	1,495		1
Do „ 200 ...	849	842	...	7
Do „ 300	284	304	20	...
Do „ 400 ...	142	120	...	22
Do „ 500	69	69	..	..
Do „ 600	61	37		24
Do „ 700	42	22	...	20
Do „ 800	22	18	...	4
Do „ 900	21	18	...	3
Do „ 1,000	9	16	7	...

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

(Signed) T. M. BUSTEED,

(„) G. E. COWER,

(„) C. RUNGANADA SHASTRY,

Judges.

No. 1.

STATEMENT *containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Nineteenth year of its institution, viz., from January to December* 1869.

MONTHS.	1			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	NUMBER OF SUITS INSTITUTED.													
	English.	Native.	Total.	The English Cases bear to the Native Cases the ratio of	Number of Summonses issued.	Number of Second and further Summonses issued.	Number of Subpœnas issued.	Number of Attachments issued.	Number of Warrants issued.	Number of Judges' Warrants issued.	Number of Copies of Judgments issued.	Number of Commitments issued.	Number of Releases issued.	Number of Cases referred to Arbitration.
1869.														
January	181	1,405	1,586	7·762	1,922	401	1,710	...	593	...	7	...	17	11
February	218	1,737	1,955	7·967	2,371	586	1,629	...	643	...	14	...	15	24
March	217	1,619	1,836	7·460	2,185	424	1,604	...	645	2	14	1	8	13
April	226	1,730	1,956	7·654	2,344	456	1,745	...	594	1	6	1	28	14
May	251	2,069	2,320	8·243	2,779	515	2,201	...	745	...	13	...	20	9
June	178	2,013	2,191	11·308	2,507	572	2,262	1	716	2	8	...	17	14
July	198	1,994	2,192	10·070	2,629	514	2,205	...	798	...	19	...	20	20
August	78	945	1,023	12·115	1,220	354	811	...	597	4	11	1	16	6
September	3	14	17	4·666	22	4	165	...	354	1	10	...	16	5
October	125	1,008	1,133	8·64	1,386	280	1,269	...	460	1	2	...	14	15
November	292	2,135	2,427	7·311	2,940	538	2,304	...	703	2	10	...	7	14
December	249	1,789	2,038	7·184	2,474	385	1,575	...	632	2	15	...	20	7
Total ..	2,216	18,458	20,674	8·329	24,779	5,029	19,480	1	7,480	15	129	3	198	152

No 1—(*Continued.*)

STATEMENT *containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Nineteenth year of its institution, &c*—(Continued)

MONTHS	13			14	15	16	17		18									
	NUMBER OF WARRANTS TO SUE AND DEFEND FILED								GRADUATED DIGEST OF COSTS RECEIVED ON INSTITUTION OF SUITS, BUT OF WHICH PORTIONS HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO SUITORS, WHO MAY HAVE COMPROMISED THEIR CASES BEFORE HEARING.									
	By Attorneys and Barristers	By Vakeels	Total	In person	Number of days in which the Court was opened	Average number of Suits instituted daily	Amount litigated in the Suits instituted		Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.		Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees.		Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees		Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.			
1869							Rs	A P	Rs.	A P	Rs	A P	Rs	A P	Rs	A P		
January	63	93	156	1,430	20	79 3	50,662	10 9	718	8 0	601	8 0	1,446	6 0	1,217	0 0		
February	44	56	100	1,855	22	88 863	54,678	10 0	837	14 0	859	14 0	1,547	6 0	1,287	8 0		
March	42	52	94	1,742	20	91 8	60,474	2 5	776	10 0	688	10 0	1,637	14 0	1,596	10 0		
April	60	101	161	1,795	21	93 142	64,289	4 9	989	7 0	821	9 0	1,693	2 0	1,735	7 0		
May	73	85	158	2,165	23	100 869	73,870	3 4	948	12 0	981	6 0	2,011	4 0	1,783	0 0		
June	48	101	149	2,042	26	84 269	72,622	2 6	925	0 0	926	4 0	1,688	4 0	1,856	4 0		
July	61	112	173	2,019	27	81 185	67,713	13 9	890	10 0	914	4 0	1,948	10 0	1,925	0 0		
August	18	7	25	998	12	85 25	35,036	6 4	433	0 0	428	2 0	891	4 0	794	12 0		
September	4		4	13		.	2,135	7 4	2	14 0	5	4 0	38	0 0	19	10 0		
October	49	62	111	1,022	12	94 416	43,170	14 0	451	6 0	491	2 0	964	4 0	1,044	0 0		
November	53	64	117	2,310	23	105 521	77,716	5 5	990	14 0	1,056	0 0	2,243	0 0	1,759	8 0		
December	93	85	178	1,860	17	119 882	59,545	5 1	851	10 0	895	2 0	1,501	8 0	1,439	6 0		
Total	608	818	1,426	19,251	223	92 708	6,61,915	5 8	8,816	9 0	8,669	1 0	17,610	14 0	16,458	1 0		

No. 1—(*Continued.*)

STATEMENT *containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Nineteenth year of its institution, &c.*—(Continued)

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GRADUATED DIGEST OF COSTS RECEIVED ON INSTITUTION OF SUITS, BUT OF WHICH PORTIONS HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO SUITORS, WHO MAY HAVE COMPROMISED THEIR CASES BEFORE HEARING.

MONTHS.	Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 800 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rupees.			Total.		
1869.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January ...	1,411	12	0	571	12	0	401	4	0	503	14	0	371	14	0	152	13	0	27	8	0	91	10	0	195	5	0	7,711	2	0
February ...	1,333	14	0	941	10	0	310	2	0	265	6	0	74	5	0	229	3	0	83	10	0	171	13	0	3	4	0	7,945	13	0
March ...	1,501	2	0	1,147	6	0	465	8	0	126	14	0	295	15	0	2	8	0	278	10	0	347	5	0	95	8	0	8,960	8	0
April ...	1,693	8	0	1,075	14	0	777	14	0	395	8	0	190	1	0	233	1	0	2	12	0	9	0	0	116	8	0	9,733	11	0
May ...	1,755	8	0	1,183	8	0	420	8	0	303	12	0	227	4	0	243	1	0	250	3	0	353	5	0	297	6	0	10,758	13	0
June ...	1,578	0	0	988	6	0	462	8	0	376	6	0	231	2	0	236	0	0	334	4	0	184	2	0	96	6	0	9,882	14	0
July ...	2,037	10	0	1,045	10	0	687	14	0	503	0	0	204	0	0	148	1	0	8	4	0	90	3	0	396	2	0	10,799	4	0
August ...	800	10	0	368	4	0	363	2	0	596	12	0	364	12	0	89	1	0	84	0	0	86	12	0	106	10	0	5,407	1	0
September ...	96	12	0	113	14	0	2	0	0	...	...	...	66	1	0	2	8	0	...	.	..	...	...	..	6	8	0	353	7	0
October ...	1,016	2	0	979	12	0	376	8	0	412	8	0	220	8	0	2	8	0	181	4	0	...	...	..	16	4	0	6,156	2	0
November ...	2,376	14	0	1,162	14	0	718	4	0	450	14	0	144	8	0	160	15	0	336	7	0	91	10	0	9	12	0	11,501	8	0
December ...	1,466	4	0	755	10	0	554	4	0	303	10	0	268	3	0	150	1	0	16	8	0	186	7	0	292	0	0	8,680	9	0
Total ..	17,068	0	0	10,334	8	0	5,539	12	0	4,238	8	0	2,658	9	0	1,649	12	0	1,603	6	0	1,612	3	0	1,631	9	0	97,890	12	0

No. 1.—(*Continued.*)

STATEMENT *containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Nineteenth year of its institution, &c.*—(Continued.)

MONTHS.	19 — GRADUATED DIGEST OF CASES INSTITUTED DURING THE YEAR.														20 — DISPOSAL OF SUITS SET DOWN FOR HEARING, DURING THE MONTHS OPPOSITE TO WHICH THE NUMBERS STAND.						
	Not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500.	Above Rupees 500, not above Rupees 600.	Above Rupees 600, not above Rupees 700.	Above Rupees 700, not above Rupees 800.	Above Rupees 800, not above Rupees 900.	Above Rupees 900, not above Rupees 1,000.	Total.	Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suit.	Struck off and withdrawn.	Compromised.	Undecided.	Total.
1869.																					
January ...	840	258	272	108	67	16	8	7	5	2	...	1	2	1,586	814	54	36	131	551	...	1,586
February ...	1,042	377	309	115	66	28	7	4	1	3	1	2	...	1,955	1,053	58	45	157	638	4	1,955
March ...	922	298	330	146	84	33	9	2	4	...	3	4	1	1,836	961	36	43	129	656	11	1,836
April ...	965	340	357	148	79	33	19	7	3	4	...	...	1	1,956	1,054	32	57	156	649	8	1,956
May ...	1,169	424	407	167	88	35	9	5	3	3	3	4	3	2,320	1,215	65	67	158	796	19	2,320
June ...	1,130	420	334	172	78	28	10	6	3	3	4	2	1	2,191	1,176	37	59	177	723	19	2,191
July ...	1,075	400	382	173	95	33	15	9	3	2	...	1	4	2,192	1,104	58	42	141	812	35	2,192
August ...	505	186	183	73	39	10	8	10	5	1	1	1	1	1,023	486	30	20	105	357	25	1,023
September ...	1	1	5	2	4	3	..	.	1	...	...	...	...	17	6	1	1	...	4	5	17
October ...	531	210	197	96	50	29	8	7	3	...	2	...	...	1,133	616	31	29	57	341	59	1,133
November ...	1,180	469	439	156	118	34	15	7	2	2	4	1	...	2,427	1,128	47	39	109	683	416	2,422
December ...	1,181	391	303	139	71	22	12	5	4	2	...	2	3	2,038	160	2	12	40	97	95	406
Total .	10,441	3,774	3,518	1,495	842	304	120	69	37	22	18	18	16	20,674	9,773	451	450	1,360	6,307	696	19,037

No. 1.—(*Continued.*)

STATEMENT *containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Nineteenth year of its institution, &c.*—(Continued.)

AMOUNT CARRIED TO THE CREDIT OF GOVERNMENT ON ACCOUNT OF FEES DEPOSITED, DURING THE MONTHS OPPOSITE TO WHICH THE AMOUNT STANDS.

MONTHS.	Fees on institution of Summonses.			Second and further Summons Fees.			Subpœnas Fees.			Warrants, Notices, and Interpleader Summons, Fees, &c.			Fees realized in Pauper Suits.			Total Gross Amount.			Amount of Half Costs.			Net amount carried to credit of Government.		
1869.	RS	A	P	RS	A	P	RS.	A	P	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P	RS.	A.	P.
January	7,004	14	0	207	8	0	496	12	0	359	7	6	...	..	..	8,070	9	6	1,344	8	0	6,726	1	6
February	7,523	1	0	154	6	0	268	6	0	346	9	0	8	8	0	8,300	14	0	1,645	14	6	6,654	15	6
March	8,533	8	0	172	8	0	254	8	0	378	1	0	...	...	..	9,338	9	0	1,604	14	0	7,733	11	0
April	9,252	13	0	217	14	0	263	0	0	579	14	5	...	...	...	10,313	9	5	1,658	12	6	8,654	12	11
May	10,264	15	0	144	8	0	349	6	0	404	6	0	...	...	...	11,163	3	0	1,464	7	6	9,698	11	6
June	9,368	8	0	182	2	0	332	4	0	417	7	0	...	...	...	10,300	5	0	1,755	11	0	8,544	10	0
July	10,238	14	0	237	6	0	323	0	0	459	0	0	...	...	...	11,258	4	0	2,017	10	0	9,240	10	0
August	5,079	11	0	158	0	0	169	6	0	350	0	0	...	...	..	5,757	1	0	1,179	8	0	4,576	9	0
September	290	15	0	28	0	0	34	8	0	214	12	0	...	...	..	568	3	0	81	6	0	486	13	0
October	5,829	4	0	97	0	0	229	14	0	221	0	0	5	12	0	6,382	14	0	553	7	0	5,830	7	0
November	10,921	14	0	228	6	0	351	4	0	373	2	0	10	0	0	11,884	10	0	1,893	6	6	9,991	3	6
December	8,290	3	0	154	10	0	235	12	0	408	7	6	...	...	..	9,089	0	6	1,347	10	6	7,741	6	0
Total ..	92,598	8	0	1,982	4	0	3,310	0	0	4,512	2	5	24	4	0	1,02,427	2	5	16,547	3	6	85,879	14	11

No. 1—(*Concluded.*)

STATEMENT *Containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Nineteenth year of its institution, &c.*—(Continued.)

MONTHS.	22			23			24			25			26		
	Amount re-paid to Suits on account of Compromised Cases.			Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Amount paid into Court on account of Cases decreed.			Amount paid out of Court on account of Cases decreed.			Amount of Fines		
1869.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	1,344	8	0	...	...	...	12,908	3	0	12,154	14	2	...	...	...
February	1,645	14	6	...	...	...	8,401	13	3	8,995	10	0	...	..	...
March	1,604	14	0	...	...	...	9,669	11	5	8,684	0	2	2	0	0
April	1,658	12	6	...	..	...	8,481	8	1	9,895	3	6	...		..
May	1,464	7	6	...	.	...	9,362	10	5	10,039	8	0	...	..	...
June	1,755	11	0	...	...	...	12,357	4	8	10,810	14	2	...	...	...
July	2,017	10	0	...	...	...	10,546	13	0	10,180	6	3	5	0	0
August	1,179	8	0	...	..	.	11,026	10	4	12,662	12	11	...	...	...
September ...	81	6	0	...	..	.	4,093	14	8	4,826	10	10	...	...	..
October	553	7	0	...	...	..	5,520	10	6	22,743	2	10	...	...	...
November ...	1,893	6	6	..	..	.	10,466	4	3	9,836	4	10	..	.	..
December ...	1,347	10	6	...	..	.	7,851	9	0	8,111	3	3	...	...	...
Total ..	16,547	3	6	...	...	.	1,10,687	0	7	1,28,940	10	11	7	0	0

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1869, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays ..... 52 days.

New Year's Day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension Day, Her Majesty's and Prince of Wales' Birth-days, and Christmas Day .... 7 „

Adjournment of the Court from 16th August to 16th October, both days inclusive, (except Saturdays, Sundays, and other holidays) ..... 41 „

Hindoo and other holidays scattered throughout the year, (including Saturdays during the adjournment) ..... 42 „

Total .. 142 „

The Court sat... 223 „

Total .. 365 „

During the adjournment one of the Judges and one-third of the Court establishment attended daily (except Saturdays, Sundays, and other authorized holidays) for the despatch of emergent business.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st March* 1870.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. 4th Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No 2.

COMPARATIVE TABLE *of Causes heard and decided from January to December* 1868, *and from January to December* 1869.

	January		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total	
	1868.	1869.	1868.	1869.	1868.	1869.	1868.	1869.	1868.	1869.	1868.	1869.	1868.	1869	1868.	1869.	1868.	1869	1868.	1869.	1868.	1869.	1868.	1869	1868.	1869
Judgment for Plaintiff ...	461	814	873	1,053	967	961	757	1,054	1,171	1,215	875	1,176	1,254	1,104	535	486	4	6	568	616	1,093	1,128	1,081	160	9,639	9,773
Judgment for Defendant	20	54	23	58	52	36	25	32	30	65	55	37	53	58	19	30	...	1	23	31	49	47	51	2	402	451
Non-suited and Struck off	54	167	60	202	103	172	85	213	132	225	78	236	82	183	32	125	...	1	43	86	93	148	106	52	868	1,810
Compromised	243	551	535	638	741	656	546	649	862	796	522	723	884	812	441	357	4	4	535	341	828	683	728	97	6,859	6,307
Undecided	...	...	..	4	...	11	...	8	...	19	...	19	...	35	..	25	...	5	...	59	...	321	1,956	1,733	1,956	2,339
Total...	778	1,586	1,491	1,955	1,863	1,846	1,413	1,956	2,185	2,320	1,530	2,191	2,275	2,192	1,027	1,023	8	17	1,169	1,133	2,063	2,427	3,922	2,044	19,724	20,680

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st March* 1870.

(Signed) J M. MASKELL,
Offg. 4th Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 3.

RETURN *of Graduated Digest of Causes instituted, from January to December* 1869.

Year and Months	Not above Rupees 10	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400.	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500	Above Rupees 500, not above Rupees 600.	Above Rupees 600, not above Rupees 700	Above Rupees 700, not above Rupees 800.	Above Rupees 800, not above Rupees 900.	Above Rupees 900, not above Rupees 1,000.	Total.
1869														
January	840	258	272	108	67	16	8	7	5	2	...	1	2	1,586
February	1,012	377	309	115	66	28	7	4	1	3	1	2	...	1,955
March	922	298	330	146	84	33	9	2	4	..	3	4	1	1,836
April	965	310	357	148	79	33	19	7	3	4	...	...	1	1,956
May	1,169	424	407	167	88	35	9	5	3	3	3	4	3	2,320
June	1,130	420	334	173	78	28	10	6	3	3	4	2	1	2,191
July	1,075	400	382	173	95	33	15	9	3	2	..	1	4	2,192
August	505	186	183	73	39	10	8	10	5	1	1	1	1	1,023
September	1	1	5	2	4	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	17
October	531	210	197	96	50	29	8	7	3	...	2	...	...	1,133
November	1,180	469	439	156	118	34	15	7	2	2	4	1	...	2,427
December	1,081	391	303	139	74	22	12	5	4	3	...	2	3	2,038
Total..	10,441	3,774	3,518	1,495	843	304	120	69	37	22	18	18	16	20,674

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31*st March* 1870.

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Offg. 4th Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 4

STATEMENT *of the Graduated Digest of Costs of Summonses, &c., from January to December* 1869.

Year and Months	Fees and Costs under Rupees 10			Fees and Costs under Rupees 20			Fees and Costs under Rupees 50			Fees and Costs under Rupees 100.			Fees and Cost under Rupees 200.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 300			Fees and Costs under Rupees 400			Fees and Costs under Rupees 500			Fees and Costs under Rupees 600			Fees and Costs under Rupees 700.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 800.			Fees and Costs under Rupees 900			Fees and Costs under Rupees 1,000			Total.		
1869	Rs.	A.	P	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A	P.	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P
January ...	718	8	0	801	8	0	1,446	6	0	1,217	0	0	1,411	12	9	571	12	0	401	4	0	303	14	0	371	14	0	152	13	0	27	8	0	91	10	0	195	5	0	7,711	2	9
February ...	837	14	0	859	14	0	1,547	6	0	1,287	6	0	1 233	14	9	941	10	0	310	2	0	265	6	0	71	5	0	229	3	0	83	10	0	171	13	0	3	4	0	7,945	13	0
March ...	776	10	0	688	10	0	1,637	14	0	1,596	0	0	1,501	2	9	1,147	6	0	465	8	0	126	14	0	295	15	0	2	8	0	278	10	0	347	5	0	95	8	0	8,960	8	0
April ...	969	7	0	821	9	0	1,693	2	0	1,735	7	0	1,693	8	0	1,075	14	0	277	14	0	395	8	0	190	1	0	233	1	0	2	12	0	9	0	0	116	8	0	9,733	11	0
May ...	948	12	0	981	6	0	2,011	4	0	1,783	0	0	1,755	8	0	1,183	8	0	420	8	0	303	12	0	227	4	0	243	1	0	250	3	0	353	3	0	297	6	0	10,758	13	0
June ...	925	0	0	926	4	0	1,686	4	0	1,856	4	0	1,578	0	0	988	6	0	462	8	0	376	6	0	331	2	0	236	0	0	334	4	0	184	2	0	96	6	0	9,882	14	0
July ...	890	10	0	914	4	0	1,948	10	0	1,925	0	0	2,037	10	0	1,045	10	0	687	14	0	503	0	0	204	0	0	148	1	0	8	4	0	90	3	0	396	2	0	10,799	4	0
August ...	433	0	0	428	2	0	891	4	0	794	12	0	800	10	0	368	4	0	363	2	0	596	12	0	364	12	0	89	1	0	84	0	0	86	12	0	106	10	0	5,407	1	0
September ...	2	14	0	5	4	0	38	0	0	19	10	0	96	12	0	113	14	0	2	0	0	...	...	...	66	1	0	2	8	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	8	0	353	7	0
October ...	451	6	0	491	2	0	964	4	0	1,044	0	0	1,016	2	0	979	12	0	376	8	0	412	8	0	220	8	0	2	8	0	181	4	0	...	...	...	16	4	0	6,156	2	0
November ...	990	14	0	1,056	0	0	2,243	0	0	1,759	8	0	2,378	14	0	1,162	14	0	718	4	0	450	14	0	144	8	0	160	15	0	336	7	0	91	10	0	9	12	0	11,501	8	0
December ...	851	10	0	895	2	0	1,501	8	0	1,439	6	0	1,466	4	0	755	10	0	554	4	0	303	10	0	268	3	0	150	1	0	16	8	0	186	7	0	292	0	0	8,680	9	0
Total ...	8,816	9	0	8,669	1	0	17,610	14	0	16,458	1	0	17,068	0	0	10,334	8	0	5,539	12	0	4,238	8	0	2,658	9	0	1,649	12	0	1,603	6	0	1,612	3	0	1,631	9	0	97,890	12	0

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Offg 4th Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 5.

STATEMENT *showing the number of Causes remaining undecided on the* 31*st December* 1869.

For want of Service	NUMBER OF CASES POSTPONED.					REMARKS
	For Plaintiffs or Defendants, or for Parties witnesses.	For Attachment.	At the request of Plaintiffs or Defendants, or both Parties	By order of Court.	Total	
13	30	1	14	109	194	

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Offg. 4th Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No 6.

ABSTRACT STATEMENT *of Causes heard and how disposed of with the Commission and Fees leviable thereon, from January to December* 1869

Months.	Judgment for Plaintiff.		Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suited.	Withdrawn and Struck off	Compromised	Undecided		Total.	Commission and Fees		
	For full sum claimed	For less than full sum claimed					Partly heard and adjourned	On account of summons not being served		Rs	A.	P
1869												
January	767	47	54	36	131	551	...	..	1,586	6,726	1	6
February ...	999	54	58	45	157	638	4	...	1,955	6,654	15	6
March .. .	922	39	36	43	129	656	2	9	1,836	7,733	11	0
April	981	73	32	57	156	649	4	4	1,956	8,382	2	6
May	1,126	89	65	67	158	796	8	11	2,320	9,698	11	6
June	1,128	48	37	59	177	723	5	14	2,191	8,544	10	0
July .	1,038	66	58	42	141	812	8	27	2,192	9,240	10	0
August	479	7	30	20	105	357	8	17	1,023	4,576	9	0
September	6	...	1	1	...	4	2	3	17	486	13	0
October	591	25	31	29	57	341	14	45	1,133	5,830	7	0
November .. .	1,079	49	47	39	109	683	106	310	2,422	9,991	3	6
December . ..	151	9	2	12	40	97	33	62	406	7,741	6	0
Total ..	9,267	506	451	450	1,360	6,307	194	502	19,037	85,607	4	6

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No. 7

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT *of Commission and Fees realized and credited in the Cash Account, from January* 1868 *to December* 1869, *prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court, and rendered to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Bank of Madras*

Months	1868									Months.	1869									Total Increase of Fees in 1869.			Total decrease of Fees in 1869.			Remarks.
	On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint Process			Total.				On account of Fees received on the institution, and prosecution of Suits.			On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint Process.			Total.									
1868.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	1869.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
January ...	6,730	6	0	...	..	...	6,730	6	0	January ...	6,726	1	6	...	...	..	6,726	1	6	...	...	...	4	4	6	
February ...	9,572	12	0	..	.	..	9,572	12	0	February ...	6,654	15	6	...	...	. .	6,654	15	6	...	...	...	2,917	12	6	
March ..	9,203	2	0	...	...	.	9,203	2	0	March ...	7,733	11	0	...	...	...	7,733	11	0	...	.	...	1,469	7	0	
April	7,027	1	0	...	...	.	7,027	1	0	April ...	8,382	2	6	...	...	...	8,382	2	6	1,355	1	6	...	...	...	
May ...	7,975	10	0	...	...	..	7,975	10	0	May ...	9,698	11	6	...	...	...	9,698	11	6	1,723	1	6	...	...	...	
June ...	8,429	4	0	...	...	...	8,429	4	0	June ..	8,544	10	0	...	...	...	8,544	10	0	115	6	0	...	..	...	
July ...	13,172	10	0	...	..	...	13,172	10	0	July ...	9,240	10	0	...	...	...	9,240	10	0	...	...	...	3,932	0	0	
August ..	4,386	15	6	...	...	...	4,386	15	6	August ...	4,576	9	0	...	...	...	4,576	9	0	189	9	6	...	..	...	
September ...	467	14	0	...	..	...	467	14	0	September ...	486	13	0	...	...	.	486	13	0	18	15	0	...	...	...	
October ...	4,667	1	0	...	...	..	4,667	1	0	October ...	5,830	7	0	...	...	...	5,830	7	0	1,163	6	0	...	.	...	
November ...	10,747	8	0	...	.	.	10,747	8	0	November ...	9,991	3	6	...	..		9,991	3	6	...	...	...	756	4	6	
December ...	7,541	9	0	...	...	...	7,541	9	0	December ...	7,741	6	0	...	...	...	7,741	6	0	199	13	0	...	.	...	
Total ..	89,921	12	6	...	...	..	89,921	12	6	Total...	85,607	4	6	...	.	..	85,607	4	6	4,765	4	6	9,079	12	6	

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No. 8.

ABSTRACT STATEMENT *of Sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their Demand, from January to December* 1869

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on hand. .	...	...	..	22,121	13	2							
By Cash received on Causes decreed in January 1869 ...	12,908	3	0				To Cash paid to Plaintiffs, &c., for Causes decreed in January 1869 ...	12,154	14	2			
Do. do. do. February „ ...	8,401	13	3				Do. do. do. February „ ...	8,995	10	0			
Do. do. do. March „ ...	9,669	11	5				Do. do. do. March „ ...	8,684	0	2			
Do. do. do. April „ ..	8,481	8	1				Do. do. do. April „ ...	9,895	3	6			
Do. do. do. May „ ...	9,362	10	5				Do. do. do. May „ ...	10,039	8	0			
Do. do. do. June „ ...	12,357	4	8				Do. do. do. June „ .	10,810	14	2			
Do. do. do. July „ ...	10,546	13	0				Do. do. do. July „	10,180	6	3			
Do. do. do. August „ ...	11,026	10	4				Do. do. do. August „ .	12,662	12	11			
Do. do. do. September „ ...	4,093	14	8				Do. do. do. September „	4,826	10	10			
Do. do. do. October „ ...	5,520	10	6				Do. do do. October „ ...	22,743	2	10			
Do. do. do. November „ ...	10,466	4	3				Do. do do. November „ ...	9,836	4	10			
Do. do. do. December „ ...	7,851	9	0				Do. do. do December „ ...	8,111	3	3			
				1,10,687	0	7					1,28,940	10	11
							Balance carried to next account	.....	...	...	3,868	2	10
Total...		.		1,32,808	13	9	Total...	. ...	...	...	1,32,808	13	9

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No. 9.

ABSTRACT *of the particulars of Demand, from January to December* 1869.

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered.	Other goods sold and delivered.	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.	Wages.	Work and Labour.	Work and Labour and Materials	For Money paid.	For Money lent.	For Money had and received.	On an account stated.	For use and occupation.	On Judgment.	Guarantee.	Partnership balance.	Other actions in Assumpsit.	Trover.	Case.	Trespass.	Assault.	Damage.	Interpleador.	Recovery of small Tenements.	Ejectment.	Against Executors and Representatives.	Covenant.	Total.
1869.																										
January ...	115	427	379	35	22	1	50	125	7	149	164	...	11	...	32	53	...	2	...	8	6	...	3	...	3	1,592
February ...	184	488	466	27	18	3	46	166	12	165	170	2	15	...	108	58	...	1	1	5	4	...	17	...	3	1,959
March ...	213	423	477	46	11	...	59	122	17	136	132	3	17	1	116	46	...	1	...	3	10	...	13	...	...	1,846
April ...	195	493	456	17	26	3	33	148	10	228	171	...	11	2	69	59	...	1	...	6	3	...	9	...	19	1,959
May ...	202	571	550	23	27	...	42	169	18	246	201	5	25	2	131	70	...	1	...	13	3	...	14	...	10	2,323
June ...	187	515	493	25	10	1	49	148	4	208	193	3	12	...	262	57	...	...	...	3	4	...	17	...	4	2,195
July ...	168	421	541	49	21	3	39	156	14	222	210	...	11	2	258	46	...	...	...	8	7	...	13	...	10	2,199
August ...	83	221	222	18	7	...	19	78	5	104	71	3	6	...	150	26	...	...	...	2	2	...	4	...	4	1,025
September ...	...	3	9	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	22
October ...	110	276	285	20	24	5	23	86	15	72	96	...	7	5	59	27	...	...	...	5	7	...	5	...	13	1,140
November ...	180	462	648	33	33	7	66	180	9	207	199	3	22	3	270	50	...	1	...	12	7	...	16	...	26	2,434
December ...	166	507	469	20	47	4	54	151	7	247	160	4	9	2	100	45	...	5	2	2	8	...	10	...	27	2,046
Total ..	1,803	4,807	4,995	313	246	27	480	1,530	118	1,986	1,767	23	146	17	1,556	538	...	12	3	67	66	...	121	...	119	20,740

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Offg. 4th Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No 10

STATEMENT *showing the Amount of Fines levied, from January to December* 1869.

Year and Months.	Amount.		
1869.	Rs.	A	P.
January	..	..	..
February	..		
March	2	0	0
April	...	...	
May ... ... : ...	..	...	.
June	.	...	.
July	5	0	0
August	.	...	.
September	...	...	..
October	...	..	.
November	...		
December	...	..	.
Total ..	7	0	0

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No 11.

STATEMENT *showing the Monthly Salaries of three Judges and of theEstablishment*

Monthly Salary of the.						Establishment.			Total		
First Judge.			Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each.								
Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
2,000	0	0	2,000	0	0	2,794	8	0	6,794	8	0

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No. 12.

ABSTRACT STATEMENT *of Unrecovered Costs, from January to December* 1869.

Year and Months.	Pauper Suits.			Costs remitted on behalf of Parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Costs of Attachment ordered, but not taken out by Parties.			Fees of Second and further Summonses not being taken out by Parties.			Costs of Warrants ordered against Witnesses, but not called for.			Total.		
1869.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January ...	14	2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	14	2	0
February ...	32	12	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	32	12	0
March ...	11	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	8	0	...	...	.	14	8	0
April ...	7	12	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	7	12	0
May ...	22	12	0	...	...	..	...	...	...	1	6	0	...	...	..	24	2	0
June ...	8	8	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	14	0	...	...	...	10	6	0
July ...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
August ...	5	14	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	14	0
September ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
October ...	22	14	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	22	14	0
November ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	2	14	0	...	...	...	2	14	0
December ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	1	4	0	...	..	...	1	4	0
Total ..	125	10	0	...	..	..	...	...	...	10	14	0	...	...	...	136	8	0

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No. 13.

STATEMENT *showing the number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the amount of Fees realized thereon, during the years* 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, and 1869, *together with the progressive increase and decrease in each year.*

Years.	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each year.	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each year.			Decrease of Fees in each year.		
				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1851 ...	23,668	...	...	37,417	7	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
1852 ...	24,392	724	...	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	...	...	...
1853 ...	25,192	800	...	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	...	...	...
1854 ...	26,483	1,291	...	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	...	...	...
1855 ...	26,199	...	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	...	...	...
1856 ...	22,869	...	3,330	43,682	14	6	...	...	...	8,071	13	6
1857 ...	17,674	...	5,195	36,909	10	6	...	...	...	6,773	4	0
1858 ...	18,020	346	...	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	...	...	...
1859 ...	18,374	354	...	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	...	...	...
1860 ...	19,778	1,404	...	63,294	8	3	8,694	6	3	...	...	...
1861 ...	23,054	3,276	...	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	...	...	...
1862 ...	23,345	...	709	76,122	0	10	...	...	...	14,926	0	8
1863 ...	19,940	...	2,405	69,364	6	10	...	...	...	6,757	10	0
1864 ...	20,781	841	...	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	...	...	...
1865 ...	20,375	...	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	...	...	...
1866 ...	21,191	816	...	96,277	15	0	15,584	8	10	...	...	...
1867 ...	19,004	...	2,187	91,467	13	11	...	...	...	4,810	1	1
1868 ...	20,134	1,130	...	90,386	6	8	...	...	...	1,081	7	3
1869 ...	20,674	540	...	85,886	14	11	...	...	...	4,499	7	9

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
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No. 25.

FROM

THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

To

THE HONOURABLE R. S. ELLIS, C.B.,
Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

SIR,

We have the honour to send herewith, for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council, the Twentieth Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the year ending 31st December 1870.

2. The number of cases instituted during the year was 24,071, being an increase of 3,397 cases, as compared with the number instituted in the preceding year. In suits for sums over 500 rupees there was an increase of 39 cases, as appears from the following statement:—

		Over Rs 500
Instituted in 1869	20,674	111
Do. in 1870	24,071	150
Increase	3,397	39

3. The receipts, on account of fees, &c., during the year, amounted to Rupees 98,564-5-0, including the sum of Rupees 292-4-9 credited to Government on account of deposits unclaimed by suitors from 1863, and the cost of the establishment, including the salaries of the Judges and contingent charges, amounted to Rupees 79,524-10-7, leaving a balance to the credit of Government of Rupees 19,039-10-5.

4. During the year under report there were 25,362 cases set down for hearing, of which 13,667 cases were decided in favour of plaintiffs; 513 were decided in favour of defendants; 534 were non-suited; 2,207 were struck off; 7,337 were compromised, and 1,104 were pending at the close of the year, which, added to 1,049 cases instituted in 1870, but returnable in 1871, makes 2,153 cases pending on 1st January 1871, as appears from the following statement:—

Statement showing the Number of Cases set down for hearing during the year 1870, and the disposal of those Cases.

		Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suit.	Struck off.	Compromised.	Undecided.		Total	Instituted in 1870, but made returnable in 1871.	Grand Total.
							Partly heard and adjourned.	On account of Summons not being served.			
Cases pending from 1869...	2,340	1,298	68	92	291	581	..	10	2,340	...	2,340
Cases instituted in 1870 ..	24,071	12,369	445	442	1916	6,756	407	687	23,022	1,049	24,071
Total ...	26,411	*18667	513	534	2207	7,337	407	697	25,362	1,049	26,411

5. Out of 13 forms usually appended to the Annual Reports Nos. 3, 4, 6, and 10 have been omitted, agreeably to the Order of Government, No. 488, dated 22nd April 1870.

6. There were 29 Commissions, to take evidence, issued to this Court under Section 175, Act VIII. of 1859, in reference to cases instituted in the Mofussil Courts, under which sixty-five witnesses were examined.

7. The following table shows at a glance the business connected with 24,071 suits instituted in 1870, and the manner in which they were disposed of:—

* *Note.*—Many of these, though technically judgments for plaintiffs, are in effect judgments for defendants, because if a plaintiff succeeds for any amount, however small may be the sum recovered as compared with the sum sued for, judgment is entered as one for the plaintiff.

1870.	Cases instituted in 1870.																Disposal of Suits instituted in 1870.											
													Warrants to sue and defend filed											Undecided.				
	English.	Native.	Total.	Number of Copies of Summonses issued.	Number of Second and further Summonses issued.	Number of Subpœnas issued.	Attachment.	Warrants.	Judges' Warrants.	Copies of Judgment.	Commitments.	Releases	Referred to Arbitration.	By Attorneys.	By Vakeels.	Total.	In Person.	Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suit.	Struck off.	Withdrawn.	Compromised.	Second Summons pending.	Cases adjourned to next year.	Cases instituted in 1870, but returnable in 1871.	Total.	Decree passed under Section 53 of Act XX. of 1866.
January ...	224	1,473	1,697	1,879	478	2,335		629	5	10	2	13	8	64	45	109	1,588	952	41	39	150	...	511	4	...	...	1,697	2
February ...	338	1,362	1,700	2,042	462	2,038	.	693	2	19	2	15	17	54	30	84	1,616	948	31	36	135	...	546	3	1	...	1,700	3
March ...	213	1,629	1,842	2,159	551	1,632	.	651	4	12	...	12	13	25	51	76	1,766	1,029	53	40	176	...	540	1	3	...	1,842	...
April ...	117	1,042	1,159	1,397	421	1,372	..	512	7	9	3	9	5	69	51	120	1,039	675	41	22	112	2	298	6	3	...	1,159	...
May ...	336	2,202	2,538	2,849	542	1,911	...	742	5	16	3	22	8	58	34	92	2,446	1,501	52	50	171	..	762	2	...	...	2,538	...
June ..	402	2,390	2,792	3,478	631	2,367	...	900	3	9	.	20	6	27	119	146	2,646	1,618	55	55	210	..	819	32	3	...	2,792	1
July ...	288	2,800	3,088	3,728	424	2,317	..	960	2	5	..	27	6	39	108	147	2,941	1,679	52	53	281	...	950	59	14	...	3,088	...
August ..	130	1,313	1,443	1,565	374	1,424	.	701	3	12	1	30	12	42	51	93	1,350	746	32	61	148	.	398	44	14	...	1,443	2
September .	95	875	970	1,112	172	444	..	496	.	4	.	19	1	10	22	32	938	496	16	6	125	...	285	26	16	...	970	...
October ...	266	1,706	1,972	2,284	318	2,151	..	557	3	5	1	15	5	29	22	51	1,921	975	26	37	145	..	605	134	50	...	1,972	...
November .	373	2,539	2,912	3,347	409	2,296	...	864	.	33	.	16	13	75	125	200	2,712	1,364	29	32	204	..	839	229	215		2,912	...
December ..	154	1,804	1,958	2,267	412	2,060	1	651	4	11	2	8	19	28	16	44	1,914	386	17	11	57	..	203	147	88	1,049	1,958	...
Total ..	2,936	21,135	24,071	28,107	5,194	22,347	1	8,356	38	145	14	206	113	520	674	1,194	22,877	12,369	445	442	1,914	2	6,756	687	407	1,049	24,071	8

8. The following comparative table shows the classes of cases which have increased and decreased during the year :—

	1869.	1870	Increase.	Decrease
In suits not above Rupees 10	10,441	12,317	1,876	.
Do. „ 20	3,774	4,389	615	...
Do. „ 50	3,518	4,036	518	..
Do „ 100 ...	1,495	1,722	227	.
Do. „ 200 ...	842	949	107	...
Do. „ 300	304	297	..	7
Do „ 400	120	143	23	...
Do „ 500	69	68	. .	1
Do. „ 600	37	59	22	.
Do „ 700	22	36	14	..
Do. „ 800	18	30	12	.
Do. „ 900	18	14		4
Do. „ 1,000	16	11	..	5

9. Entirely independently of the general question of law taxes, and of the fact that the suitors of this Court at present more than defray the cost of its establishment, the scale of fees levied in the Court requires, we think, the consideration of Government.

10. An ordinary suit for a sum between 500 rupees and 1,000 rupees can be prosecuted to judgment in the High Court, at an expense of about 20 rupees, if disposed of at first hearing, and of about 30 rupees, if it proceed to final hearing; and if the suit be for less than 500 rupees, at about half these costs respectively.

11. But in this Court the institution fee and summons and subpœna costs are :—

In a suit for Rupees	300	about Rupees	40	8	0
Do. „	400	„	53	8	0
Do. „	500	„	66	8	0
Do. „	600	„	73	4	0
Do. „	800	„	86	12	0
Do. „	1,000	„	100	4	0

12. The costs of executing a judgment in the High Court are about 10 Rs., and in this Court they amount to 1 rupee in the 100 rupees. These costs are, therefore, slightly higher in the High Court than in this Court; but this excess still leaves the whole costs in this Court much greater than those in the High Court. That this Court should be the more expensive tribunal of the two is, we think, an anomalous condition of things which should not be allowed to continue.

13. At the same time we think it right to draw attention to the fact, that if the scale of fees be reduced, the result will probably be an increase of the business of the Court, which may possibly produce a revenue equivalent to the present revenue, or nearly so; but that such increase will certainly necessitate a larger Office Establishment, the present one being already over-worked, and will also necessitate either some modification of the existing system, which will render the whole of the Officiating Fourth Judge's time available for judicial work, or,

* NOTE.—In two of these cases the Plaintiffs abandoned Rupees 69-3-6 and Rupees 57-2 0, respectively, to bring the suit within the jurisdiction of this Court.

the appointment of an additional judge, as the judges at present have quite as much work to do as they can satisfactorily accomplish.

14. We also think it right to state that the accommodation provided for the public, who have business in this Court, is quite inadequate; also that the accommodation provided for the Judges and for the Court Establishment is insufficient. There is every day a crowd of suitors, frequently over 200, huddled together into a narrow passage, where it is almost impossible for them to transact their business, and whose clamour makes it difficult for the Judges to transact theirs. Surveys and plans were made over twelve months ago for erecting another Court, which would have to a considerable extent remedied these evils, but nothing has since been done towards carrying these improvements into execution.

15. The business of the Court has within the past year increased, and, owing to the fact that the Court now gives to suitors interest on their judgments, will probably still further increase, so that the evil which we complain of is likely to become even more aggravated than it is at present.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

T. M. BUSTEED,
G. E. COWER,
C. RUNGANADA SHASTRY,
Judges.

No 1

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twentieth year of its institution, viz, from January to December 1870

MONTHS.	1			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Number of Suits instituted													
	English.	Native	Total	The English Cases bear to the Native Cases the ratio of	Number of Summonses issued	Number of Second and further Summonses issued.	Number of Subpœnas issued	Number of Warrants issued	Number of Attachments issued.	Number of Judges' Warrants issued	Number of Copies of Judgments issued	Number of Commitments issued	Number of Releases issued	Number of Cases referred to Arbitration.
1870														
January	224	1,473	1,697	6 57	1,879	478	2,335	629		5	10	2	13	8
February	338	1,362	1,700	4 029	2,042	462	2,038	693	.	2	19	2	15	17
March .	213	1,629	1,842	7 647	2,159	551	1,632	651	..	4	12	.	12	13
April .	117	1,042	1,159	8 905	1,397	421	1,372	512		7	9	3	9	5
May .	336	2,202	2,538	6 553	2,849	542	1,911	742		5	16	3	22	8
June ..	402	2,390	2,792	5 945	3,478	631	2,367	900		3	9	.	20	6
July ...	288	2,800	3,088	9 722	3,728	424	2,317	960	.	2	5		27	6
August	130	1,313	1,443	10 1	1,565	374	1,424	701	.	3	12	1	30	12
September	95	875	970	9 210	1,112	172	444	496		..	4		19	1
October . ..	266	1,706	1,972	6 413	2,284	318	2,151	557		3	5	1	15	5
November .	373	2,539	2,912	6 806	3,347	409	2,296	864	.	.	33		16	13
December	154	1,804	1,958	11 714	2,267	412	2,060	651	1	4	11	2	8	19
Total	2,936	21,135	24,071	7 198	28,107	5,194	22,347	8,356	1	38	145	14	206	113

No. 1.—(*Continued*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twentieth year of its institution, viz, from January to December 1870.—(Continued.)

MONTHS.	13			14	15	16	17	18									
	Number of Warrants to sue and defend filed							Graduated Digest of Costs received in Money up to 5th April and subsequently in Stamps on institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors, who may have compromised their Cases before hearing.									
	By Attorneys and Barristers.	By Vakeels.	Total	In Person	Number of Days in which the Court was opened.	Average Number of Suits instituted daily.	Amount litigated in Suits instituted.	Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.		
1870							Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs.	A.	P.
January	64	45	109	1,588	20	84·85	52,665	14	4	691	8	0	741	14	0	1,611	0	0	1,364	10	0
February	54	30	84	1,616	23	73 918	56,093	11	3	692	10	6	704	14	0	1,696	7	6	1,416	8	0
March	25	51	76	1,766	21	87 714	61,033	12	8	781	14	0	723	14	0	1,596	10	0	1,434	6	0
April	69	51	120	1,039	15	77 266	37,432	13	3	485	0	0	500	4	0	1,037	0	0	971	8	0
May	58	34	92	2,446	24	105 75	73,900	2	10	927	15	0	1,059	10	0	2,187	0	0	2,234	14	0
June	27	119	146	2,646	25	111 68	86,098	8	3	1,077	14	9	1,206	9	0	2,175	6	0	2,262	13	6
July	39	108	147	2,941	26	118 769	95,244	2	11	1,166	8	0	1,277	13	0	2,477	7	0	2,338	6	0
August	42	51	93	1,350	23	62·739	46,178	8	4	577	13	0	544	3	0	1,118	9	0	1,111	15	0
September	10	22	32	938	21	46 190	31,824	3	7	369	14	0	371	14	0	702	5	0	631	15	0
October	29	22	51	1,921	21	93 904	62,434	9	8	714	15	0	887	4	0	1,783	12	0	1,596	10	0
November	75	125	200	2,712	24	121·333	89,521	7	10	1,162	7	0	1,127	3	0	2,127	9	0	2,003	7	6
December	28	16	44	1,914	18	108·777	60,345	9	5	798	9	0	788	10	0	1,506	4	0	1,417	14	0
Total ..	520	674	1,194	22,877	261	92·226	7,52,773	8	4	9,447	0	3	9,884	0	0	20,019	5	6	18,784	15	0

No 1 —*(Continued.)*

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twentieth year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1870.—(Continued)

18.—*(Continued.)*

GRADUATED DIGEST OF COSTS RECEIVED IN MONEY UP TO 5TH APRIL AND SUBSEQUENTLY IN STAMPS ON INSTITUTION OF SUITS, BUT OF WHICH PORTIONS MAY HAVE BEEN REPAID TO SUITORS, WHO MAY HAVE COMPROMISED THEIR CASES BEFORE HEARING

MONTHS.	Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 800 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rupees.			Total.		
1870.	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P.	RS	A.	P	RS	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A	P.	RS	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	1,464	6	0	589	4	0	474	2	0	407	2	0	287	1	0	313	3	0	89	8	0	3	0	0	196	8	0	8,233	2	0
February	1,503	14	0	766	4	0	523	10	0	694	8	0	210	9	0	85	14	0	181	1	0	3	0	0	3	4	0	8,482	8	0
March	1,471	6	0	969	14	0	430	10	0	256	2	0	493	2	0	82	13	0	511	14	0	175	1	0	9	12	0	8,937	6	0
April	968	4	0	500	12	0	440	10	0	133	0	0	85	7	0	80	0	0	245	7	0	89	13	0	...	..	..	5,537	1	0
May	1,950	7	0	1,306	3	0	568	1	0	235	12	0	80	6	0	155	10	0	175	12	6	84	6	0	91	11	6	11,057	12	0
June	2,172	6	0	1,064	7	0	854	0	0	417	2	0	293	1	0	316	15	6	...	..	0	276	4	6	283	15	6	12,402	14	9
July	2,202	10	0	1,135	0	0	678	4	0	664	10	0	769	13	6	387	15	6	253	8	0	277	10	6	6	8	0	13,636	1	6
August	1,163	8	0	558	9	0	432	0	0	185	12	0	220	14	6	313	4	6	171	6	6	92	6	6	94	7	6	6,584	12	6
September	527	8	0	581	9	0	696	5	0	65	15	0	209	12	0	146	13	0	82	15	6	3	0	0	103	8	0	4,493	5	6
October	1,578	0	0	890	8	0	619	13	0	113	7	0	283	6	0	318	0	6	90	3	6	90	5	6	105	3	0	9,021	7	6
November	2,377	9	0	1,100	5	0	761	0	0	449	7	0	693	1	6	385	15	6	408	5	6	188	3	6	116	8	0	12,901	1	6
December	1,626	7	0	699	11	0	446	1	0	390	3	0	510	8	0	294	12	0	339	15	6	...	....	..	100	2	0	8,919	6	0
Total ...	19,006	5	0	10,162	6	0	6,924	8	0	4,013	0	0	4,137	1	6	2,881	4	6	2,550	0	6	1,285	2	6	1,111	7	6	1,10,206	8	3

No 1.—*(Continued.)*

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twentieth year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1870.—(Contd.)

MONTHS.	19														20						
	GRADUATED DIGEST OF CASES INSTITUTED DURING THE YEAR.														DISPOSAL OF SUITS SET DOWN FOR HEARING, DURING THE MONTHS OPPOSITE TO WHICH THE NUMBERS STAND.						
	Not above Rs. 10.	Above Rs. 10, not above Rs 20.	Above Rs. 20, not above Rs 50	Above Rs. 50, not above Rs. 100.	Above Rs 100, not above Rs 200	Above Rs 200, not above Rs 300.	Above Rs. 300, not above Rs 400	Above Rs 400, not above Rs 500.	Above Rs. 500, not above Rs. 600.	Above Rs 600, not above Rs. 700.	Above Rs. 700, not above Rs 800.	Above Rs. 800 not above Rs 900.	Above Rs 900, not above Rs 1,000	Total.	Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suit.	Struck off and withdrawn	Compromised	Undecided.	Total
1870.																					
January	825	321	308	124	73	18	10	7	4	4	1	..	2	1,697	952	41	39	150	511	4	1,697
February ...	820	294	338	124	74	22	11	11	3	1	2	...	..	1,700	948	31	36	135	546	4	1,700
March	954	311	314	129	76	28	10	4	7	1	6	2	.	1,842	1,029	53	40	176	540	4	1,842
April	581	215	201	86	46	13	9	2	1	1	3	1		1,159	675	41	22	114	298	9	1,159
May	1,251	478	446	202	99	39	11	5	1	2	2	1	1	2,538	1,501	52	50	171	762	2	2,538
June	1,415	542	445	211	109	31	18	7	4	4	...	3	3	2,792	1,618	55	55	210	819	35	2,792
July	1,586	585	507	219	110	33	14	12	11	5	3	3	...	3,088	1,679	52	53	281	950	73	3,088
August	775	245	223	103	58	16	9	3	3	4	2	1	1	1,443	746	32	61	148	398	58	1,443
September ...	533	166	144	58	28	18	15	1	3	2	1	..	1	970	496	16	6	125	285	42	970
October... ..	949	368	372	152	79	26	13	2	4	4	1	1	1	1,972	975	26	37	145	605	184	1,972
November ...	1,575	513	445	186	116	32	15	7	10	5	5	2	1	2,912	1,364	29	32	204	839	444	2,912
December ...	1,053	351	293	128	81	21	8	7	8	3	4	...	1	1,958	386	17	11	57	203	235	909
Total ...	12,317	4,389	4,036	1,722	949	297	143	68	59	36	30	14	11	24,071	12,369	445	442	1,916	6,756	1094	23,022

No. 1.—(*Continued.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twentieth year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1870.—(Continued.)

MONTHS.	21																							
	Amount of Fees credited to Government during the year 1870.																							
	Fees on institution of Summons.			Second and further Summons Fees.			Subpœnas Fees.			Warrants, Notice, and Interpleader Summons Fees, &c.			Fees realized in Pauper Suits.			Total Gross Amount.			Amount of Refunds in Compromised Cases.			Net Amount carried to credit of Government.		
1870.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	7,732	12	0	151	10	0	348	12	0	366	11	6	...	...	...	8,599	13	6	1,175	7	6	7,424	6	0
February	7,915	10	0	200	12	6	338	6	0	420	14	0	17	12	0	8,893	6	0	1,816	4	6	7,077	1	6
March	8,366	14	0	254	4	0	309	14	0	412	10	0	6	6	0	9,350	0	0	1,276	6	0	8,073	10	0
April	5,174	11	0	167	4	0	195	2	0	301	0	0	...	...	...	5,838	1	0	1,115	12	6	4,722	4	6
May	10,623	12	0	139	4	0	289	6	0	566	0	0	3	6	0	11,623	12	0	1,370	12	0	10,253	0	0
June	11,821	1	0	224	14	0	355	10	0	558	12	0	...	...	...	12,960	5	0	1,571	1	6	11,389	3	6
July	13,034	7	6	244	10	0	357	0	0	494	0	0	...	...	...	14,130	1	6	1,711	9	0	12,418	8	6
August	6,214	8	6	141	10	0	228	10	0	807	4	9	...	...	...	7,392	1	3	1,658	4	0	5,733	13	3
September	4,335	7	6	81	8	0	76	6	0	321	14	0	...	...	...	4,815	3	6	634	6	0	4,180	13	6
October	8,617	1	6	93	4	0	311	2	0	374	0	0	...	...	...	9,395	7	6	1,141	10	9	8,253	12	9
November...	12,285	11	6	238	14	0	376	8	0	450	14	0	...	...	...	13,351	15	6	2,119	10	3	11,232	5	3
December	8,396	6	0	209	4	0	313	6	0	486	14	0	..	...	...	9,405	14	0	1,611	13	6	7,794	0	6
Total ...	1,04,518	6	6	2,147	2	0	3,500	2	0	5,560	14	3	29	8	0	1,15,756	0	9	17,203	1	6	98,552	15	3

No. 1.—(*Concluded.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twentieth year of its institution, &c.—(Continued)

MONTHS.	22			23			24			25			26			27			28		
	Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Amount paid into Court on account of cases decreed.			Amount paid out of Court on account of cases decreed.			Amount of Fines.			Stamps on copies of Judgment.			Stamp duty and Penalty levied.			Excess Fees for summonses Subpœnas, Warrants, &c., received.		
1870.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A	P.
January ...	...	...	...	7,668	14	4	7,726	4	4	...	...	...	5	0	0	...	...	...	...	.	...
February ...	...	...	...	10,094	8	8	10,547	3	9	10	0	0	6	8	0	...	...	...	...	...	..
March ...	...	...	...	10,016	7	4	9,449	13	4	...	...	...	6	8	0	20	0	0	...	...	...
April ...	...	...	...	6,486	15	4	8,315	12	1	...	...	...	4	0	0	...	...	...	5	14	0
May	...	...	..	11,817	0	3	10,269	8	9	...	...	..	7	8	0	95	11	0	2	11	0
June ...	...	...	...	9,489	5	4	9,850	9	9	1	5	9	4	8	0	27	9	0	0	1	0
July	...	...	...	14,875	7	0	15,093	15	3	...	...	..	2	8	0	123	15	0	0	2	0
August ...	...	...	...	11,313	2	8	10,003	15	8	...	...	...	6	0	0	10	8	0	...	...	...
September ...	...	...	...	9,057	0	0	8,833	13	10	...	...	..	2	0	0	3	0	0	...	...	...
October ...	...	...	...	7,252	2	8	7,496	2	6	...	..	..	2	0	0	1	5	0	...	...	...
November ...	..	..	...	9,952	13	7	10,740	5	3	...	..	...	10	0	0	4	5	0	0	6	0
December ...	...	...	...	10,662	15	6	10,301	15	5	...	...	...	9	0	0	3	13	0	0	4	0
Total ...	...	...	...	1,18,686	12	8	1,18,629	7	11	11	5	9	65	8	0	220	2	0	9	6	0

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1870, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays ... ... 51 days.

New Year's Day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension Day, Her Majesty's and Prince of Wales' Birth-days, and Christmas Day... ... ... 7 „

Hindoo and other holidays scattered throughout the year and Saturdays during the adjournment ... ... 46 „

Total .. 104 „

The Court sat ... 261 „

Total ... 365 „

During the adjournment, one Judge sat every day except Saturdays, Sundays, and authorized holidays, and disposed of a certain number of cases.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st March* 1871.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 2

Comparative Table of Causes heard and decided from January to December 1869, *and from January to December* 1870

	January		February		March		April		May		June		July		August		September.		October		November		December		Total	
	1869.	1870.	1869	1870	1869	1870	1869	1870	1869	1870	1869	1870.	1869	1870	1869	1870	1869	1870	1869	1870	1869	1870.	1869.	1870	1869	1870
Judgment for Plaintiff	814	1,915	1,053	1,110	981	1,126	1,0?4	703	1 215	1,523	1 176	1,634	1,104	1,686	486	746	6	496	616	978	1,128	1,364	160	386	9,773	13,667
Judgment for Defendant	54	76	58	44	86	64	32	44	65	56	87	57	58	53	30	32	1	16	31	26	47	29	2	17	451	513
Non-suited and struck off	167	431	202	241	172	255	213	150	225	231	236	266	193	336	125	210	1	131	86	184	148	237	52	69	1,810	2,739
Compromised	551	989	638	594	626	568	649	309	796	767	723	824	812	954	357	398	4	286	341	605	683	840	97	203	6,307	7,339
Undecided	...	4	4	4	11	4	8	9	19	2	19	35	35	73	25	58	5	42	59	164	421	444	1,733	235	2,339	1,094
Total ..	1,586	3,415	1,955	1 993	1,836	2,017	1,956	1,215	2,320	2,579	2,191	3,816	2,192	3,101	1,023	1,444	17	971	1,133	1,977	2 427	2,914	2,044	910	21,680	25,352

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
16*th March* 1871

(Signed) J. M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 3.

Statement showing the number of Causes remaining undecided on the 31*st December* 1870

Number of Cases postponed	for want of Service ...	51
Do.	for Plaintiffs or Defendants, or for parties' witnesses .	80
Do	for attachment	1
Do	at the request of Plaintiffs or Defendants, or both parties	65
Do	by order of Court	210
	Total	407

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
16*th March* 1871

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 4

Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized and credited in the Cash Account, from January 1869 to December 1870, prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court.

MONTHS.	1869. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			1869. On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint Process			1869. Total			MONTHS.	1870. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			1870. On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint Process			1870. Total.			Total Increase of Fees in 1870			Total Decrease of Fees in 1870.			REMARKS.
1869.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P.	1870.	RS.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	
January ..	6,726	1	6	...	...	..	6,726	1	6	January	7,424	6	0	.	.	..	7,424	6	0	698	4	6	...	...	...	
February	6,654	15	6	...	..	..	6,654	15	6	February	7,077	1	6	...	..	..	7,077	1	6	422	2	0	...	..	...	
March ...	7,733	11	0	...	...	...	7,733	11	0	March	8,073	10	0	...	...	...	8,073	10	0	339	15	0	.	...	...	
April	8,382	2	6	...	...	...	8,382	2	6	April	4,722	4	6	...	...	..	4,722	4	6	...	..	...	3,659	14	6	
May	9,698	11	6	...	...	...	9,698	11	6	May	10,253	0	0	...	...	..	10,253	0	0	554	4	6		.	.	
June	8,544	10	0	...	...	...	8,544	10	0	June	11,389	3	6	...	...	..	11,389	3	6	2,844	9	6	...		..	
July	9,240	10	0	...	...	...	9,240	10	0	July	12,418	8	6	...	...	..	12,418	8	6	3,177	14	6	..	..	...	
August	4,576	9	0	...	...	...	4,576	9	0	August	5,441	8	6	.	...	..	5,441	8	0	864	15	6	...	...	...	
September	486	13	0	...	..	...	486	13	0	September	4,180	13	6	..	...	...	4,180	13	6	3,694	0	6	...	...	...	
October	5,830	7	0	...	..	...	5,830	7	0	October ...	8,253	12	9	...	..	.	8,253	12	9	2,423	5	9	...	...	...	
November ..	9,991	3	6	..	..	..	9,991	3	6	November	11,232	5	3	..	.	.	11,232	5	3	1,241	1	9	...	.	...	
December	7,741	6	0	..	..	..	7,741	6	0	December	7,794	0	6	...	.	...	7,794	0	6	52	10	6	...	.	.	
Total ...	85,607	4	6	...	.	..	85,607	4	6	Total ..	98,260	10	6	...	.	..	98,260	10	6	16,313	4	0	3,659	14	0	

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
16*th March* 1871.

(Signed) J. M MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 5.

Abstract Statement of Sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their Demands, from January to December 1870.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on hand ...	...	...	...	3,868	2	10
By Cash received on Causes decreed in January 1870 ...	7,668	4	4			
Do. do. do. February „ ...	10,094	8	8			
Do. do. do. March „ ...	10,016	7	4			
Do. do. do. April „ ...	6,486	15	4			
Do. do. do. May „ ...	11,817	0	3			
Do. do. do. June „ ...	9,489	5	4			
Do. do. do. July „ ...	14,875	7	0			
Do. do. do. August „ ...	11,313	2	8			
Do. do. do. September „ ...	9,057	0	0			
Do. do. do. October „ ...	7,252	2	8			
Do. do. do. November „ ...	9,952	18	7			
Do. do. do. December „ ...	10,662	15	6			
				1,18,686	12	8
Total ...	...	...	...	1,22,554	15	6

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
To Cash paid to Plaintiffs &c., for Causes decreed in January 1870 ...	7,726	4	4			
Do. do. do. February „ ...	10,547	3	9			
Do. do. do. March „ ...	9,449	13	4			
Do. do. do. April „ ...	8,315	12	1			
Do. do. do. May „ ...	10,269	8	9			
Do. do. do. June „ ...	9,850	9	9			
Do. do. do. July „ ...	15,093	15	3			
Do. do. do. August „ ...	10,003	15	8			
Do. do. do. September „ ...	8,833	13	10			
Do. do. do. October „ ...	7,496	2	6			
Do. do. do. November „ ...	10,740	5	3			
Do. do. do. December „ ...	10,301	15	5			
				1,81,629	7	11
Balance carried to next account	...	...	...	3,925	7	7
Total ...	...	...	...	1,22,554	15	6

Madras Court of Small Causes,
16th *March* 1871.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No 6

Abstract of the Particulars of Demand from January to December 1870

MONTHS.	Cloths sold and delivered	Other goods sold and delivered	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes	Wages	Work and Labour.	Work and Labour and for Materials.	For Money paid	For Money lent.	For Money had and received.	On anAccount stated	For Use and Occupation.	On Judgment.	Guarantee	Partnership Balance	Other Actions in Assumpsit	Trover	Case	Trespass.	Assault	Damage	Interpleader.	Recovery of small Tenements	Ejectments	Against Executors	Covenant.	Total
1870																										
January .. .	226	468	356	81	8	2	51	87	10	78	147	2	4	1	66	60	..	...	.	2	14		13	..	35	1,711
February ...	118	412	494	29	13		47	112	20	126	99	3	17	6	136	47		1	..	11	15	.	7	..	2	1,715
March	127	365	524	41	20		50	124	15	188	157	7	15	5	154	37		1		4	12	..	7		1	1 854
April . .	74	266	279	16	18	5	29	104	6	127	99	2	8		42	45	..		1	5	7	...	12	2	21	1,168
May . .	214	511	631	44	27	1	83	176	9	277	157	6	20	4	312	70	...	1		7	21	.	21	.	17	2,559
June .	200	825	700	43	39	5	54	195	15	277	195	6	25	2	109	62	..	2	2	3	14	...	26	2	7	2,808
July	279	835	728	60	43	12	36	198	30	348	234	12	8	2	156	75			.	11	8		17	..	4	3,096
August .	133	231	288	23	10		33	127	4	186	113	5	16	3	199	52			2	5	19	..	10		3	1,462
September .	72	169	249	36	6		28	68	8	150	74	.	2	.	80	20	...	1	.	1	20		6	...	.	990
October ..	123	477	459	22	9	..	36	114	5	194	178	2	13	.	288	35	..	.	.	3	10		13	..	1	1,982
November	228	669	688	77	71	.	79	190	25	306	246	..	34	12	169	58	..	.	...	10	12	.	27		23	2,924
December ..	103	394	453	25	9	5	38	122	3	227	134	4	15	.	354	36		..	..	6	5		29	1	1	1,964
Total	1,897	5,622	5,849	497	273	30	514	1,617	150	2,484	1,833	49	177	35	2,065	597	...	6	5	68	157		188	5	115	24,233

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
16*th March* 1871

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No 7

Statement showing the Monthly Salaries of three Judges and of the Establishment.

		RS	A	P
First Judge	..	2,000	0	0
Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each	..	2,000	0	0
Establishment		2,794	8	0
Total		6,794	8	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
16*th March* 1871

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 8.

Abstract Statement of Unrecovered Costs from January to December 1870.

Year and Months.	Pauper Suits.			Costs remitted on behalf of Parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Costs of Attachment ordered, but not taken out by Parties.			Fees of Second and further Summonses not being taken out by Parties.			Costs of Warrants ordered against Witnesses, but not called for.			Total.		
1870.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	1	2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4	0	...	...	...	5	6	0
February	10	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	0	0
March	23	10	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	2	0	...	...	...	23	12	0
April	2	10	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	8	0	...	...	...	3	2	0
May	13	11	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	11	0
June	1	8	0	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	8	0
July	6	14	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	14	0
August	72	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	72	0	0
September ...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	1	4	0	...	...	..	1	4	0
October	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	9	8	0	...	...	...	9	8	0
November... ...	11	12	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	0	...	...	..	12	14	0
December... ...	6	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	31	4	0	...	...	...	37	5	6
Total ...	149	4	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	48	0	0	...	...	...	197	4	6

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
16*th March* 1871.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 9.

Statement showing the Number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes, and the amount of Fees realized thereon, during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, and 1870, *together with the progressive Increase and Decrease in each year.*

Years.	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each year.	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each year.			Decrease of Fees in each year.		
				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1851	23,668	...	..	37,417	7	0	...	..	..	...	...	...
1852	24,392	724	...	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	...	...	...
1853	25,192	800	...	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	...	..	...
1854	26,483	1,291	...	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	...	...	...
1855	26,199	...	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	..	...	...
1856	22,869	...	3,330	43,682	14	6	...	...	.	8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	...	5,195	36,909	10	6	..	...	...	6,773	4	0
1858	18,020	346	...	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	...	...	...
1859	18,374	354	...	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	...	..	...
1860	19,778	1,404	..	63,294	8	3	8,694	6	3	...	...	...
1861	23,054	3,276	.	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	...	...	...
1862	22,345	...	709	76,122	0	10	...	..	..	14,926	0	8
1863	19,940	...	2,405	69,364	6	10	...	.	...	6,757	10	0
1864	20,781	841	...	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	...	...	...
1865	20,375	...	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	...	...	...
1866	21,191	816	...	96,277	15	0	15,584	8	10	...	...	...
1867	19,004	..	2,187	91,467	13	11	...	..	..	4,810	1	1
1868	20,134	1,130	...	90,386	6	8	...	...	...	1,081	7	3
1869	20,674	540	...	85,886	14	11	...	..	.	4,499	7	9
1870	24,071	3,397	...	98,564	5	0	12,667	6	1	..	...	...

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
16*th March*, 1871.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

RETURN OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1871.

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MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
27th March 1872.

No. 63.

FROM

THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

To

D. F. CARMICHAEL, ESQ.,
Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

SIR,

We have the honor to send, herewith, for submission to the Honorable the Governor in Council, the Twenty-first Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the year ending 31st December 1871.

2. The number of cases instituted during the year was 24,784, being an increase of 713 cases, as compared with the number instituted in the preceding year. In suits for sums over 500 rupees there was a decrease of 17 cases, as appears from the following statement:—

		Over Rs. 500.
Instituted in 1870	24,071	150
Do. in 1871	24,784	133
Increase ...	713	Decrease ... 17

Rs.	A.	P.	
98,564	5	0	in 1870.
97,508	14	5	in 1871.
1,055	6	7	Decrease.
79,524	10	7	in 1870.
81,136	11	1	in 1871.
1,612	0	6	Increase of Expenditure in 1871.
19,039	10	5	
16,372	3	4	
2,667	7	1	Decrease.

3. The receipts on account of fees, &c., during the year, amounted to Rupees 97,508-14-5, against Rupees 98,564-5-0 in 1870. The costs of the establishment, including the salaries of the Judges and contingent charges, was Rupees 81,136-11-1, against Rupees 79,524-10-7 in the preceding year. The balance to the credit of Government was Rupees 16,372-3-4, against Rupees 19,039-10-5 in 1870, exhibiting a decrease of Rupees 2,667-7-1.

4. During the year under report there were 25,667 cases set down for hearing, of which 12,786 cases were decided in favor of plaintiffs; 548 cases decided in favor of defendants; 596 cases were non-suited; 2,177 cases were struck off; 8,033 cases were compromised; and 1,477 were pending at the close of the year, which, added to 1,270 cases instituted in 1871, but returnable in 1872, makes 2,747 cases pending on the 1st January 1872, as appears from the following statement:—

Statement showing the Number of Cases set down for hearing during the year 1871, *and those made returnable in* 1872 *and the disposal of such Cases.*

		Judgment for Plaintiffs	Judgment for Defendants	Non-suit.	Struck off and withdrawn.	Compromised.	Undecided		Total.	Instituted in 1871, but made returnable in 1872.	Grand Total
							Partly heard and adjourned	On account of Summons not being served.			
Cases pending from 1870 ...	2,153	1,142	70	79	189	638	11	24	2,153	...	2,153
Cases instituted in 1871 ...	24,784	11,644	478	517	1,988	7,445	617	825	23,514	1,270	24,784
Total ..	26,937	12,786	548	596	2,177	8,083	628	849	25,667	1,270	26,937

5. There were 50 Commissions, to take evidence, issued to this Court under Section 175, Act VIII. of 1859, in reference to cases instituted in the Mofussil Courts, under which 65 witnesses were examined.

6. The following table shows at a glance the business connected with 24,784 suits instituted in 1871, together with the manner in which they were disposed of:—

1871	Cases instituted in 1871												Warrant to sue and defend filed			Disposal of Suits instituted in 1871											Decrees passed under Section 53 of Act XX. of 1866
	English	Native	Total	Number of Copies of Summons issued	Number of Second and further Summons issued	Number of Subpœnas issued.	Attachment	Warrants	Judges' Warrants	Copies of Judgment	Commitments	Releases	Referred to Arbitration	By Attorneys	By Vakeels	Total	In Person	Judgment for Plaintiffs	Judgment for Defendants	Non suit	Struck off	Withdrawn	Compromised	Undecided: Second Summons pending	Undecided: Cases adjourned to next year	Undecided: Cases instituted in 1871, but returnable in 1872	Undecided: Total	
January ..	226	1,902	2,128	2,377	545	2,316		774	5	9		21	8	62	100	162	1,966	1,166	58	45	203		650	4	2	...	2,128	.
February ...	373	1,977	2,350	2,675	813	2,606		770	1	10	.	16	3	56	76	132	2,218	1,290	50	42	202		752	1	13		2,350	1
March	215	1,972	2,187	2,218	594	2,487		713	2	10		20	17	22	64	86	2,101	1,142	48	68	182	2	726	11	8		2,187	
April	242	1,712	1,954	2,407	457	2,264		617	5	3		10	9	122	62	184	1,770	1,036	38	55	186	.	613	18	8	.	1,954	1
May	288	2,248	2,536	3,095	876	2,756		852	1	3	1	16	8	58	75	133	2,403	1,284	57	73	201		893	8	20	.	2,536	
June	305	2,053	2,358	2,812	509	2,620		853		6	.	19	12	25	77	102	2,256	1,264	39	62	238		695	18	42	.	2,358	1
July	452	2,171	2,623	3,163	648	2,899		819		11		11	13	60	175	235	2,388	1,301	60	51	212		849	28	122		2,623	1
August	406	1,504	1,910	2,293	636	2,085		770	1	16		19	15	53	28	81	1,829	866	37	28	177	.	637	91	74	...	1,910	
September	94	793	887	1,082	230	682	.	419	2	4		18	13	35	10	45	842	420	20	19	60	1	300	37	30	..	887	
October	213	1,573	1,786	2,169	334	2,072		524	3	7	1	14	5	63	103	166	1,620	784	32	28	166		521	169	86	...	1,786	2
November	280	2,042	2,322	2,658	506	3,369		781		20		15	5	60	68	128	2,194	920	31	33	126		680	388	144		2,322	2
December	219	1,524	1,743	2,071	515	1,507	.	512	1	11		32	9	18	36	54	1,689	171	8	13	32		129	52	68	1,270	1,743	1
Total	3,313	21,471	24,784	29,020	6,663	27,663		8,404	21	110	2	211	117	634	874	1,508	23,276	11,644	478	517	1,985	3	7,445	825	617	1,270	24,784	9

7. The following comparative table shows the classes of cases which have increased and decreased during the year :—

	1870.	1871	Increase	Decrease
In suits not above Rupees 10	12,317	13,076	759	..
Do. „ 20	4,389	4,492	103	.
Do „ 50	4,036	3,942	...	94
Do „ 100	1,722	1,684	...	38
Do. „ 200	949	941	...	8
Do „ 300	297	267	...	30
Do. „ 400	143	163	20	...
Do. „ 500	68	86	18	.
Do. „ 600	59	50	...	9
Do. „ 700	36	35	...	1
Do „ 800	30	25	...	5
Do „ 900	14	6		8
Do „ 1,000	11	17	6	.

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

T. M. BUSTEED,

C. RUNGANADA SHASTRY,

S. MUTTUSAMI AIYAR,

Judges.

No 1

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twenty-first year of the institution, viz , from January to December 1871

MONTHS.	1			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Number of Suits instituted													
	English.	Native	Total	The English Cases bear to the Native Cases the ratio of	Number of Summonses issued.	Number of Second and further Summonses issued.	Number of Subpœnas issued.	Number of Warrants issued.	Number of Attachments issued	Number of Judges' Warrants issued.	Number of Copies of Judgments issued.	Number of Commitments issued.	Number of Releases issued	Number of Cases referred to Arbitration
1871														
January	226	1,902	2,128	8 415	2,377	545	2,316	774	...	5	9	.	21	8
February	373	1,977	2,350	5 3002	2,675	813	2,606	770	..	1	10	...	16	3
March	215	1,972	2,187	9 172	2,218	594	2,487	713	. .	2	10	...	20	17
April	242	1,712	1,954	7 074	2,407	457	2,264	617		5	3	.	10	9
May	288	2,248	2,536	7 805	3,095	876	2,756	852	...	1	3	1	16	8
June	305	2,053	2,358	6 731	2,812	509	2,620	853	...	...	6	...	19	12
July	452	2,171	2,623	4 803	3,163	648	2,899	819	...	...	11	...	11	13
August	406	1,504	1,910	3 704	2,293	636	2,085	770	...	1	16	...	19	15
September	94	793	887	8 436	1,082	230	682	419	...	2	4	...	18	13
October	213	1,573	1,786	7 384	2,169	334	2,072*	524	...	3	7	1	14	5
November...	280	2,042	2,322	7·292	2,658	506	3,369	781	...	..	20	...	15	5
December	213	1,524	1,743	6 958	2,071	515	1,507	512	.	1	11	..	32	9
Total ...	3,313	21,471	24,784	6 4808	29,020	6,663	27,663	8,404	..	21	110	2	211	117

No 1—(*Continued.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twenty-first year of the institution, viz, from January to December 1871

MONTHS	13			14	15	16	17			18								
	Number of Warrants to sue and defend filed									Graduated Digest of Costs received in Stamps on institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases.								
	By Attorneys and Barristers	By Vakeels	Total	In Person	Number of Days in which the Court was opened	Average Number of Suits instituted daily	Amount litigated in Suits instituted			Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.		
1871.							RS	A	P	RS	A	P.	RS	A	P	RS	A	P	RS.	A	P
January	62	100	162	1,966	22	96 727	62,070	9	4	852	5	0	886	10	0	1,712	5	0	1,442	5	0
February	56	76	132	2,218	22	106·818	72,013	0	10	887	9	0	1,047	2	0	1,828	15	6	1,823	12	0
March	22	64	86	2,101	21	104 142	63,550	13	8	850	5	0	909	2	0	1,704	9	0	1,668	12	0
April	122	62	184	1,770	18	108 555	59,526	10	1	763	5	0	749	2	0	1,627	0	0	1,679	13	0
May	58	75	133	2,403	24	105 666	77,596	9	2	980	8	0	1,015	11	0	2,107	13	0	1,981	15	0
June	25	77	102	2,256	25	94 32	76,138	9	9	936	8	0	929	5	0	1,848	6	0	1,658	14	0
July	60	175	235	2,388	25	104 92	71,453	8	1	1,079	11	0	1,027	9	0	2,076	11	0	1,927	13	0
August	53	28	81	1,829	26	73 461	61,731	8	0	751	1	0	725	9	0	1,497	9	0	1,598	10	0
September	35	10	45	842	20	44 35	28,882	7	3	356	0	0	361	4	0	628	11	0	737	10	0
October	63	103	166	1,620	22	81 181	53,712	6	5	701	10	6	708	13	0	1,388	13	6	1,258	3	0
November	60	68	128	2,194	25	92 88	72,231	10	7	912	4	0	974	8	0	1,890	2	0	1,650	1	0
December	18	36	54	1,689	14	124 5	59,023	13	2	709	9	0	700	9	0	1,307	12	0	1,279	1	0
Total	634	874	1,508	23,276	264	93 878	757,931	10	4	9,780	11	6	10,035	4	0	19,618	11	0	18,706	13	0

No. 1.—*(Continued.)*

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of Twenty-first year of the institution, viz, from January to December 1871.

18.—*(Continued.)*

GRADUATED DIGEST OF COSTS RECEIVED IN STAMPS ON INSTITUTION OF SUITS, BUT OF WHICH PORTIONS MAY HAVE BEEN REPAID TO SUITORS WHO MAY HAVE COMPROMISED THEIR CASES.

MONTHS	Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fee and Costs under 800 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rupees.			Total.		
1871.	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P
January	1,389	4	0	761	5	0	674	8	0	608	2	0	311	2	0	389	11	6	97	2	0	...	...	...	94	9	6	9,219	5	0
February	1,721	9	0	942	7	0	812	6	0	660	7	0	208	8	6	92	0	6	194	4	0	8	4	0	97	14	0	10,329	2	6
March	1,446	2	6	1,077	14	0	777	4	0	372	9	0	221	15	6	84	2	6	169	6	6	87	2	0	16	4	0	9,385	8	0
April	1,581	9	0	652	2	0	656	11	0	417	2	0	407	0	0	74	10	0	88	8	0	...	...	...	99	0	0	8,795	14	0
May	1,961	10	0	1,032	10	0	590	11	0	567	7	0	373	0	6	310	12	6	96	2	0	86	13	6	194	12	6	11,299	14	0
June	1,994	2	0	686	7	0	927	12	0	452	13	0	494	12	6	463	0	6	336	5	6	22	6	0	101	2	0	10,851	13	6
July...	2,103	0	0	813	5	0	567	14	0	605	3	0	22	8	0	236	5	6	168	5	0	...	...	...	3	4	0	10,631	8	6
August	1,458	9	0	717	11	0	675	5	0	74	8	0	350	12	6	451	3	0	345	14	0	92	9	6	194	9	0	8,933	14	0
September	752	4	0	380	2	0	164	4	0	226	5	0	2	4	0	12	8	0	167	3	0	...	...	...	288	7	6	4,076	14	6
October	1,283	15	0	574	12	0	673	11	0	413	12	0	493	1	6	80	1	0	5	8	0	98	0	0	100	1	6	7,780	6	0
November	2,004	8	0	949	6	0	743	6	0	463	15	6	567	3	0	152	2	6	25	15	6	179	5	0	200	6	0	10,713	2	6
December	1,226	10	0	834	10	0	543	1	0	282	13	0	144	10	0	395	13	6	417	13	0	88	2	0	302	3	0	8,232	10	6
Total ...	18,923	2	6	9,422	11	0	7,806	13	0	5,145	0	6	3,596	14	0	2,742	7	0	2,112	6	6	662	10	0	1,692	9	0	110,250	1	0

No 1.—*(Continued)*

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twenty-first year of its institution, viz, from January to December 1871

MONTHS.	19 — Graduated Digest of Cases instituted during the year.													20 — Disposed of Suits set down for hearing, during the months opposite to which the Numbers stand.						
	Not above Rs 10	Above Rs 10, not above Rs 20.	Above Rs 20, not above Rs 50.	Above Rs 50, not above Rs. 100	Above Rs. 100, not above Rs. 200	Above Rs 200, not above Rs 300	Above Rs 300, not above Rs 400	Above Rs 400, not above Rs 500.	Above Rs 500, not above Rs. 600	Above Rs 600, not above Rs 700	Above Rs. 700, not above Rs 800	Above Rs 800, not above Rs 900	Above Rs 900, not above Rs 100	Total	Judgment for Plaintiff	Judgment for Defendant	Non-suit	Struck off and withdrawn	Compromised	Undecided	Total.
1871.																					
January	1,151	392	333	129	67	21	14	10	4	5	1	...	1	2,128	1,166	58	45	203	650	6	2,128
February ...	1,183	474	372	172	84	29	17	12	3	1	2	..	1	2,350	1,290	50	42	202	752	14	2,350
March	1,156	405	347	149	70	31	16	6	3	1	2	1	...	2,187	1,142	48	68	184	726	19	2,187
April	1,008	337	327	155	78	19	14	7	6	1	1	...	1	1,954	1,036	38	55	186	613	26	1,954
May	1,322	452	424	176	99	29	12	9	5	4	1	1	2	2,536	1,284	57	73	201	893	28	2,536
June . ..	1,261	416	367	148	102	20	20	7	7	5	4	...	1	2,358	1,264	39	62	238	695	60	2,358
July ..	1,425	458	413	173	104	23	12	10	...	3	2	.	...	2,623	1,301	60	51	212	849	150	2,623
August ...	1,013	323	304	143	74	20	14	1	5	6	4	1	2	1,910	866	37	28	177	637	165	1,910
September ...	472	163	123	65	41	11	3	4	..	..	2	.	3	887	420	20	19	61	300	67	887
October	952	323	287	110	66	17	14	7	7	1	..	1	1	1,786	784	32	28	166	521	255	1,786
November ...	1,196	432	382	152	98	26	15	7	8	2	..	2	2	2,322	920	31	33	126	680	532	2,322
December ...	937	317	263	112	58	21	12	6	2	6	6	...	3	1,743	171	8	13	32	129	120	473
Total ...	13,076	4,492	3,942	1,684	941	267	163	86	50	35	25	6	17	24,784	11,644	478	517	1,988	7,445	1442	23,514

No. 1.—(*Continued.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twenty-first year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1871.

MONTHS.	Amount of Fees credited to Government during the year 1871.																							
	Fees on institution of Summonses.			Second and further Summonses Fees.			Subpœna Fees.			Warrants, Notice, and Interpleader Summonses, &c., Fees.			Fees realized in Pauper Suits.			Total Gross Amount.			Amount of Refunds in Compromised Cases.			Net Amount carried to credit of Government by payment in Stamps.		
1871.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A-	P
January	8,576	7	0	304	6	0	338	8	0	482	0	0	...	...	...	9,701	5	0	1,489	3	6	8,212	1	6
February	9,779	6	6	231	6	0	318	6	0	479	6	0	...	...	...	10,808	8	6	1,819	10	9	8,988	13	9
March	8,809	6	0	202	10	0	373	8	0	389	0	0	4	10	0	9,779	2	0	1,527	7	0	8,251	11	0
April	8,272	6	0	178	0	0	345	8	0	385	2	0	...	...	...	9,181	0	0	1,412	10	6	7,768	5	6
May	10,651	2	0	238	8	0	410	4	0	510	2	0	3	12	0	11,813	12	0	2,039	1	9	9,774	10	3
June	10,190	15	6	280	4	0	380	10	0	459	12	9	2	2	0	11,313	11	6	2,029	12	0	9,283	15	6
July	9,913	10	6	319	0	0	398	14	0	423	15	0	8	0	0	11,063	7	6	1,511	5	0	9,552	2	6
August	8,379	8	0	242	6	0	312	0	0	511	6	0	55	9	0	9,500	13	0	1,574	8	3	7,926	4	9
September	3,893	0	6	90	10	0	93	4	0	263	0	0	...	...	...	4,339	14	6	701	0	0	3,638	14	6
October	7,409	14	0	88	10	0	281	14	0	269	3	0	...	...	..	8,049	9	0	1,129	2	0	6,920	7	0
November	10,039	4	6	203	10	0	470	4	0	503	1	0	30	4	0	11,246	7	6	2,260	13	9	8,985	9	9
December	7,801	8	6	200	8	0	230	10	0	354	10	0	30	0	0	8,617	4	6	1,200	10	0	7,416	10	6
Total ...	1,03,716	9	0	2,579	14	10	3,953	10	0	5,030	9	0	134	5	0	1,15,414	15	0	18,695	4	6	96,719	10	6

No. 1.—(*Continued.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twenty-first year of its institution, viz, from January to December 1871.

MONTHS.	22			23			24			25			26			27			28			29		
	Costs remitted on behalf of parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Amount paid into Court on account of Cases decreed.			Amount paid out of Court on account of Cases decreed.			Amount of Fines.			Stamps on Copies of Judgment.			Stamp Duty and Penalty levied.			Excess Fees for Summons, Subpœnas, Warrants, &c., received.			Unclaimed Deposits carried to the credit of Government.		
1871.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Jan.	...	...	...	11,550	8	5	10,743	4	11	...	...	...	6	8	0	24	15	0	0	12	0	...	...	.
Feb.	...	...	...	8,985	7	0	10,515	11	6	...	...	...	6	8	0	10	7	0	0	9	0	...	...	...
Mar.	...	...	...	13,001	8	10	11,867	4	5	...	...	...	6	0	0	11	13	0	0	2	2	...	...	...
April.	...	..	...	7,716	1	2	7,516	0	5	351	0	0	2	0	0	35	13	0	0	3	0	...	...	...
May.	...	...	...	10,560	0	1	10,958	4	2	35	4	0	2	8	0	9	0	0	0	13	0	...	...	...
June.	...	...	..	9,626	2	6	10,205	10	1	...	...	..	4	8	0	20	7	0	0	14	0	402	15	11
July.	...	...	...	14,065	1	8	13,993	8	2	...	...	...	6	0	0	8	6	0	0	7	0	...	...	...
Aug.	...	...	...	11,275	9	10	10,521	9	6	...	...	...	11	0	0	12	0	0	0	3	0	...	...	...
Sept.	...	...	...	7,112	12	7	7,650	15	2	...	...	...	3	8	0	..	...	...	0	5	0	...	...	...
Oct.	...	...	..	5,296	15	7	5,463	11	2	...	...	...	6	0	0	2	13	0	...	..	...	...	..	...
Nov.	...	...	.	7,667	8	1	7,758	13	6	...	...	...	15	0	0	26	6	0	0	1	0	...	..	...
Dec.	...	...	...	8,272	4	3	7,744	1	0	...	...	...	7	8	0	3	0	0	0	4	0	...	...	..
Total.	...	...	...	1,15,130	0	0	1,14,940	9	0	386	4	0	77	0	0	165	0	0	4	9	2	402	15	11

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1870, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays ... ... 53 days.

New Year's Day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension Day, Her Majesty's Birth-day, and Christmas Day ... ... 6 „

Hindoo and other holidays scattered throughout the year and Saturdays during the adjournment . ... 43 „

Total ... 102 „

The Court sat ... 263 „

Total ... 365

During the adjournment one Judge sat every day, except Saturdays, Sundays, and authorized holidays, and disposed of a certain number of cases.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
27th March 1872.

(Signed) J. M MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No 2

Comparative Table of Causes heard and decided from January to December 1870, *and from January to December* 1871

	January		February		March		April		May		June.		July.		August		September		October		November		December		Total	
	1870	1871	1870	1871	1870	1871	1870	1871	1870.	1871	1870	1871	1870	1871	1870	1871	1870	1871	1870	1871	1870	1871	1870	1871	1870	1871
Judgment for Plaintiff ..	1,915	1,836	1,110	1,533	1,126	1,249	703	1,073	1,523	1,816	1,634	1,286	1,656	1,819	746	873	496	420	978	788	1,364	927	386	178	13,667	12,786
Judgment for Defendant	76	90	44	74	64	50	44	41	56	63	57	41	52	61	32	37	16	20	26	32	29	31	17	8	513	548
Non-suited and struck off	431	378	241	296	255	278	150	265	231	290	266	310	336	266	210	208	131	81	184	195	237	161	69	45	2,789	2,773
Compromised	989	1,000	594	898	563	799	309	637	767	914	824	704	954	855	398	643	286	300	605	523	840	680	203	130	7,339	8,083
Undecided ..	4	8	4	14	4	20	9	27	2	29	35	61	73	150	58	165	42	69	184	266	444	544	235	124	1,094	1,477
Total	3,415	3,312	1 993	2,815	2,017	2,396	1,215	2,043	2,579	2,612	2,816	2,402	3,101	2,644	1,444	1,926	971	890	1,977	1,804	2,914	2,343	910	480	25,352	25,667

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
27*th March* 1872

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No 3

Statement showing the Number of Causes remaining undecided on the 31*st December* 1871.

Number of cases postponed for want of service ...	.	69
Do	for plaintiffs or defendants, or for parties' witnesses .	141
Do	for attendance of plaintiffs or defendants . .	27
Do	at the request of plaintiffs or defendants, or both parties .	80
Do	by order of Court	300
	Total	617

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
27*th March* 1872

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 4.

Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized in Stamps from January 1870 to December 1871, prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court.

MONTHS.	1870. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			1870. On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint Process.			1870. Total.			MONTHS.	1871. On account of Fees received on the institution and prosecution of Suits.			1871. On account of Fees received on the issue of Distraint Process.			1871. Total.			Total Increase of Fees in 1871.			Total Decrease of Fees in 1871.			REMARKS.
1870.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	1871.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	
January	7,424	6	0	...	...	...	7,424	6	0	January	8,212	1	6	...	..	...	8,212	1	6	787	11	6	...	...	...	
February	7,077	1	6	...	...	...	7,077	1	6	February	8,988	13	9	...	...	...	8,988	13	9	1,911	12	3	...	...	...	
March	8,073	10	0	...	...	...	8,073	10	0	March	8,251	11	0	...	...	...	8,251	11	0	178	1	0	...	...	...	
April	4,722	4	6	...	...	...	4,722	4	6	April	7,768	5	6	...	...	...	7,768	5	6	3,046	1	0	...	...	...	
May	10,253	0	0	...	...	...	10,253	0	0	May	9,774	10	3	...	...	...	9,774	10	3	...	...	...	478	5	9	
June	11,389	3	6	...	...	...	11,389	3	6	June	9,283	15	6	...	...	...	9,283	15	6	...	...	...	2,105	4	0	
July	12,418	8	6	...	...	...	12,418	8	6	July	9,552	2	6	...	...	...	9,552	2	6	...	...	...	2,866	6	0	
August	5,441	8	6	...	...	...	5,441	8	6	August	7,926	4	9	...	...	...	7,926	4	9	2,484	12	3	...	...	...	
September ...	4,180	13	6	...	...	...	4,180	13	6	September ...	3,638	14	6	...	...	...	3,638	14	6	...	...	...	541	15	0	
October	8,253	12	9	...	...	...	8,253	12	9	October	6,920	7	0	...	...	...	6,920	7	0	...	...	...	1,333	5	9	
November... ...	11,232	5	3	...	...	...	11,232	5	3	November	8,985	9	9	...	...	...	8,985	9	9	...	...	...	2,246	11	6	
December	7,794	0	6	...	..	...	7,794	0	6	December	7,416	10	6	...	...	...	7,416	10	6	...	...	...	377	6	0	
Total ...	98,260	10	6	...	...	...	98,260	10	6	Total ...	96,719	10	6	...	...	...	96,719	10	6	8,408	6	0	9,949	6	0	

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
27*th March* 1872.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 5.

Abstract Statement of Sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their Demands, from January to December 1871.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on hand...	...	...	...	3,925	7	7							
By Cash received on Causes decreed in January 1871 ...	11,550	8	5				To Cash paid to Plaintiffs, &c., for Causes decreed in January 1871 ...	10,743	4	11			
Do. do. do. February „ ...	8,985	7	0				Do. do. do. February „ ...	10,515	11	6			
Do. do. do. March „ ...	13,001	8	10				Do. do. do. March „ ...	11,867	4	5			
Do. do. do. April „ ...	7,716	1	2				Do. do. do. April „ ...	7,518	0	5			
Do. do. do. May „ ...	10,560	0	1				Do. do. do. May „ ...	10,958	4	2			
Do. do. do. June „ ...	9,626	2	6				Do. do. do. June „ ...	10,205	10	1			
Do. do. do. July „ ...	14,065	1	8				Do. do. do. July „ ...	13,993	3	2			
Do. do. do. August „ ...	11,275	9	10				Do. do. do. August „ ...	10,521	9	6			
Do. do. do. September „ ...	7,112	12	7				Do. do. do. September „ ...	7,650	15	2			
Do. do. do. October „ ...	5,296	15	7				Do. do. do. October „ ...	5,463	11	2			
Do. do. do. November „ ...	7,667	8	1				Do. do. do. November „ ...	7,758	13	6			
Do. do. do. December „ ...	8,272	4	3				Do. do. do. December „ ...	7,744	1	0			
				1,15,130	0	0	Balance carried to next account...	...	...	...	1,14,940 4,114	9 14	0 7
Total ...	...	...	...	1,19,055	7	7	Total ...	...	...	...	1,19,055	7	7

Madras Court of Small Causes,
27*th March* 1872.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 6

Abstract of the Particulars of Demand from January to December 1871.

MONTHS.	Cloths sold and delivered.	Other Goods sold and delivered	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.	Wages	Work and Labor.	Work and Labor and Materials.	For Money paid.	For Money lent.	For Money had and received	On an account stated	For use and occupation.	On Judgment	Guarantee.	Partnership Balance	Other Actions in Assumpsit.	Trover.	Case	Trespass	Assault	Damage	Interpleader.	Recovery of Small Tenements	Ejectments.	Against Executors	Covenant.	Total.
1871.																										
January ...	190	597	468	118	20	23	58	115	30	137	103	1	42	4	124	79	...	...	..	2	7	...	17	...	...	2,135
February	140	398	666	27	16	2	44	141	1	292	212	4	8	1	321	52	..	...	...	9	10	...	16	...	..	2,360
March	140	483	501	36	45	6	44	142	18	273	207	5	20	...	151	79	...	3	1	9	11	...	22	...	2	2,198
April	117	530	501	21	28	8	38	144	3	207	162	9	10	1	71	63	...	...	...	6	7	...	23	...	12	1,961
May	225	413	627	40	19	0	50	164	10	254	273	9	22	5	347	51	..	...	...	8	17	...	19	...	...	2,553
June .	143	547	646	48	38	10	42	185	20	180	247	9	20	1	115	73	.	1	3	9	6	...	21	...	..	2,364
July . ..	226	613	586	54	51	8	72	195	21	275	208	7	16	10	160	73	...	7	...	12	3	...	22	...	7	2,626
August	135	555	452	8	41	2	50	108	13	163	179	9	12	1	106	65	...	2	...	1	29	...	4	...	4	1,939
September	58	97	206	14	22	0	11	79	11	114	80	1	13	1	134	32	...	...	...	5	7	...	8	..	1	894
October	143	411	408	43	29	4	61	148	28	188	156	12	18	1	49	53	...	...	..	12		...	17	...	5	1,786
November	128	490	547	39	22	1	41	158	15	217	208	6	18	1	339	73	...	...	..	7	6	...	12	..	..	2,328
December	156	346	406	46	26	7	34	135	43	191	153	20	19	16	67	47	...	..	..	4	3	...	14	...	13	1,746
Total ..	1,801	5,480	6,014	494	357	71	545	1,714	213	2,491	2,188	92	218	42	1,984	740	..	13	4	84	106	...	195	...	44	24,890

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17*th March* 1872

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 7.

Statement showing the Monthly Salaries of the three Judges and of the Establishment.

	RS.	A.	P.
First Judge	2,000	0	0
Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each	2,000	0	0
Establishment	2,794	8	0
Total...	6,794	8	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
27*th March* 1872.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 8.

Abstract Statement of Unrecovered Costs from January to December 1871.

Year and Months.	Pauper Suits.			Costs remitted on behalf of Parties proved ultimately to be Paupers.			Costs of Attachment ordered, but not taken out by Parties.			Fees of Second and further Summonses not being taken out by Parties.			Costs of Warrants ordered against Witnesses, but not called for.			Total		
1871.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P
January . .	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	1	8	0	...	...	...	1	8	0
February ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	..	.
March	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..
April	18	1	8	...	...	...	...	..	...	4	10	0	...	...	.	22	11	8
May	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	1	6	0	..	...	...	1	6	0
June	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	1	8	0	...	...	...	1	8	0
July	17	4	0	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	..	..	17	4	0
August	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	.	..
September ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	.	..
October	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	2	4	0	...	...	...	2	4	0
November ...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	4	0	0	...	...	...	4	0	0
December ...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	5	4	0	...	...	...	5	4	0
Total .	35	5	8	...	...	...	.	...	.	20	8	0	...	...	...	55	13	8

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
27*th March* 1872.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 9.

Statement showing the Number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the amount of Fees realized thereon during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, and 1871, *together with the progressive Increase and Decrease in each year.*

Years	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each year.	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each year.			Decrease of Fees in each year.		
				RS.	A	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1851 ...	23,668	...	...	37,417	7	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
1852 ...	24,392	724	...	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	...	...	...
1853 ...	25,192	800	...	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	...	...	...
1854 ...	26,483	1,291	...	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	...	...	...
1855 ...	26,199	...	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	...	..	...
1856 ...	22,869	...	3,330	43,682	14	6	...	...	...	8,071	13	6
1857 ...	17,674	...	5,190	36,909	10	6	...	...	...	6,773	4	0
1858 ...	18,020	346	...	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	...	...	...
1859 ...	18,374	354	...	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	...	...	...
1860 ...	19,778	1,104	...	63,294	8	3	8,694	6	3	...	...	...
1861 ...	23,054	3,276	...	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	...	...	...
1862 ...	22,345	...	709	76,122	0	10	...	...	...	14,926	0	8
1863 ...	19,940	...	2,405	69,864	6	10	...	...	...	6,757	10	0
1864 ...	20,781	841	...	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	...	...	...
1865 ...	20,375	...	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	...	..	..
1866 ...	21,191	816	...	96,277	15	0	15,584	8	10	...	...	...
1867 ...	19,004	...	2,187	91,467	13	11	...	...	...	4,810	1	1
1868 ..	20,134	1,130	...	90,386	6	8	...	...	...	1,081	7	3
1869 .	20,674	540	...	85,886	14	11	...	...	...	4,499	7	9
1870 ...	24,071	9,397	...	98,564	5	0	12,667	6	1	...	...	...
1871 ..	24,784	713	...	97,508	14	5	...	...	...	1,055	6	7

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
27*th March* 1872.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

RETURN OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1872.

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MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st March* 1873.

No. 84.

FROM

THE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
Madras,

To

THE HONORABLE W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

SIR,

We have the honor to send, herewith, for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council, the Twenty-second Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the year ending 31st December 1872.

2. The number of cases instituted during the year was 24,506, against 24,784 in the preceding year. In suits for sums over 500 rupees there was a decrease of one number, as appears from the following statement :—

		Over Rs. 500.
Instituted in 1871	24,784	133
Do in 1872	24,506	132
	278	1

3. The receipts on account of fees, &c., during the year amounted to Rupees 90,902-11-3, against Rupees 97,508-14-5 in 1871. The cost of the establishment, including the salaries of the Judges and contingent charges, was Rupees 80,594-7-1, against Rupees 81,136-11-1 in the preceding year, and the balance to the credit of Government was Rupees 10,308-4-2, against Rupees 16,372-3-4 in 1871, exhibiting a decrease of Rupees 6,063-15-2. This decrease is owing chiefly to the diminution in the institution fee ordered by Government in their Proceedings, dated 3rd April 1872, No. 479.

Rs	A	P
16,372	3	4
10,308	4	2
6,063	15	2

4. There were 25,999 cases set down for hearing during the year. Of these 12,870 cases were decided in favor of plaintiffs ; 631 cases were decided in favor of defendants ; 556 cases were non-suited; 2,569 cases were struck off; 7,825 cases were compromised ; and 1,548 cases were pending at the close of the year, which, added to 1,254 cases instituted in 1872, but returnable in 1873, makes 2,802 cases pending on 1st January 1873, as appears from the following statement :—

Statement showing the Number of Cases set down for hearing during the year 1872, *and those made returnable in* 1873, *and the disposal of such Cases.*

		Judgment for Plaintiffs	Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suit.	Struck off and withdrawn.	Compromised.	UNDECIDED.		Total.	Instituted in 1872, but made returnable in 1873.	Grand Total.
							Partly heard and adjourned.	On account of Summons not being served.			
Cases pending from 1871 ...	2,747	1,394	93	93	388	743	16	20	2,747	...	2,747
Cases instituted in 1872 ...	24,506	11,476	538	463	2181	7,082	368	1,144	23,252	1,254	24,506
Total ...	27,253	12,870	631	556	2569	7,825	384	1,164	25,999	1,254	27,253

5. We annex to this report five new forms, Nos. 9 to 13, under the Order of Government, dated 10th February 1873, No. 139, for the General Administration Report.

6. There were 55 commissions to take evidence issued to this Court under Section 175, Act VIII. of 1859, in reference to cases instituted in the Mofussil Courts, under which 56 witnesses were examined.

7. The following table shows, at a glance, the business connected with 24,506 suits instituted in 1872, together with the manner in which they were disposed of:—

1872.	Cases instituted in 1872.		Total.	Number of Copies of Summonses issued.	Number of Copies of Second and further Summonses issued.	Number of Subpœnas issued.	Attachment.	Warrants.	Judges' Warrants.	Copies of Judgment.	Commitments.	Releases.	Referred to Arbitration.	Warrants to sue and defend filed			In Person.	Disposal of Suits instituted in 1872.								
														By Attorneys.	By Vakeels.	Total.		Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suit.	Struck off.	Withdrawn.	Compromised.	Undecided.			
	English.	Native.																						Cases adjourned to next year.	Second Summons pending.	Cases instituted in 1873, but returnable in 1873.	Total.
January ...	125	1,909	2,034	2,356	835	2,751	...	739	2	9	...	17	8	20	38	58	1,976	1,070	64	45	188	...	664	3	...	...	2,034
February ...	274	1,707	1,981	2,389	754	2,039	...	670	1	15	...	14	13	53	80	133	1,848	1,011	48	48	214	...	647	4	9	...	1,981
March ...	283	1,728	2,011	2,406	758	2,109	...	647	...	5	..	16	10	122	292	414	1,597	1,004	47	35	199	...	688	26	12	...	2,011
April ...	310	1,933	2,243	2,627	474	2,872	...	635	1	8	...	12	9	31	46	77	2,166	1,173	60	46	234	1	697	16	16	...	2,243
May ...	244	1,972	2,216	2,716	457	2,868	...	763	...	5	..	12	12	108	56	164	2,052	1,174	70	44	209	...	683	10	26	...	2,216
June ...	234	2,182	2,416	2,984	451	2,883	...	808	2	11	1	22	5	61	28	89	2,327	1,237	46	47	256	...	754	20	56	...	2,416
July ...	648	2,002	2,650	3,374	764	3,359	...	866	1	19	...	23	18	72	136	208	2,442	1,300	52	51	306	...	810	40	91	...	2,650
August ...	329	1,187	1,516	1,965	637	1,627	...	650	2	10	...	24	10	31	34	65	1,451	695	30	29	192	...	414	23	133	...	1,516
September...	167	781	948	1,027	235	867	...	309	...	...	...	19	2	26	52	78	870	478	27	19	82	...	278	15	49	...	948
October ...	265	1,624	1,889	2,223	305	2,080	...	500	1	8	...	7	3	20	31	51	1,838	886	39	42	71	...	603	22	226	...	1,889
November ...	340	2,145	2,485	3,062	407	2,991	...	841	5	13	2	17	15	120	106	226	2,259	1,070	48	45	172	...	657	117	376	...	2,485
December ...	284	1,833	2,117	2,581	636	2,119	..	595	1	9	...	15	5	39	21	60	803	378	7	12	57	..	187	72	150	1,254	2,117
Total ...	3,503	21,003	24,506	29,710	6,713	28,565	...	8,023	16	112	3	198	110	703	920	1,623	21,629	11,476	538	463	2,180	1	7,082	368	1,141	1,254	24,506

8. The following comparative table shows the classes of cases which have increased and decreased during the year .—

——	1871	1872	Increase	Decrease
In suits not above Rupees 10	13,076	13,208	132	.
Do „ 20	4,492	4,281		211
Do „ 50	3,942	3,952	10	
Do „ 100	1,684	1,584		100
Do „ 200	941	823		118
Do „ 300	267	294	27	
Do „ 400	163	148	..	15
Do „ 500 ...	86	84		2
Do „ 600	50	56	6	
Do „ 700	35	35	.	
Do „ 800	25	12	..	13
Do „ 900	6	20	14	
Do „ 1,000 .. .	17	9		8

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

T. M. BUSTEED,
C. RUNGANADA SHASTRY,
T. MUTHUSAMI IYER,
Judges.

No 1.

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twenty-second year of the institution, viz, from January to December 1872.

Months	1			2	3	4	5			6			7																
	Number of Suits instituted			The English Cases bear to the Native Cases the Ratio of	Number of Days on which the Court was opened.	Average Number of Suits instituted daily.	Amount litigated in Suits instituted.			Value of Suits instituted and disposed of 1872.			Graduated Digest of Costs received in Stamps on institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors, who may have compromised their Cases.																
	English	Native	Total										Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees		
1872.							Rs	A.	P	Rs	A.	P	Rs	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A.	P	Rs.	A	P
January ..	125	1,909	2,034	15 272	22	92 454	63,398	0	9	63,292	5	3	850	4	0	769	6	0	1,571	14	0	1,499	12	0	1,691	4	0
February ...	274	1,707	1,981	6 229	21	94 3	49,527	7	8	49,111	5	0	791	3	0	795	0	0	1,676	3	0	1,343	6	0	1,189	14	0
March	283	1,728	2,011	6 106	18	111 72	57,217	0	3	52,293	9	8	839	14	0	713	5	0	1,585	5	0	1,348	9	0	1,245	7	0
April	310	1,933	2,243	6 235	21	106 809	72,889	7	5	71,871	14	6	876	10	0	912	12	0	1,904	13	0	1,842	0	0	1,505	12	0
May	244	1,972	2,216	8·081	24	92 3	61,261	12	5	59,576	15	11	870	12	0	808	14	0	1,782	15	0	1,792	15	0	1,345	8	0
June	234	2,182	2,416	9 324	24	100·6	69,628	5	10	63,126	12	6	978	9	0	1,036	5	0	1,894	10	0	1,715	11	0	1,634	9	0
July	648	2,002	2,650	3·089	27	98 148	81,260	14	8	72,207	15	10	1,097	4	0	1,046	0	0	1,925	5	0	1,821	6	0	1,746	12	6
August	329	1,187	1,516	3 607	23	65 913	47,197	2	3	42,437	4	9	594	3	0	597	13	0	1,205	7	0	1,186	11	0	1,220	0	0
September ..	167	781	948	4·676	21	45 142	31,148	8	0	25,195	0	5	482	15	0	400	13	0	690	14	0	437	2	0	548	1	0
October ...	265	1,624	1,889	6 127	20	94 45	49,930	10	1	43,330	8	2	744	4	0	686	3	0	1,628	10	0	1,372	8	0	1,009	15	0
November ...	340	2,145	2,485	6 308	26	95 576	83,967	3	7	60,744	3	0	996	13	0	1,028	7	0	1,954	7	0	1,905	9	0	1,907	6	0
December ...	284	1,833	2,117	6·454	15	141 13	62,107	12	0	15,208	5	5	874	11	0	849	10	0	1,731	11	0	1,374	15	0	1,706	13	0
Total.	3,503	21,003	24,506	5 995	262	93 534	7,29,534	4	11	6,18,396	4	5	9,997	6	0	9,644	8	0	19,552	2	0	17,640	8	0	16,751	5	6

No. 1 —(*Continued.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twenty-Second year of the institution, viz., from January to December 1872.

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GRADUATED DIGEST OF COSTS RECEIVED IN STAMPS ON INSTITUTION OF SUITS, BUT OF WHICH PORTIONS MAY HAVE BEEN REPAID TO SUITORS, WHO MAY HAVE COMPROMISED THEIR CASES

MONTHS.	Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 800 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rupees			Total.		
1872	Rs	A	P.	Rs.	A	P	Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A	P	Rs.	A	P.	Rs	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P.	Rs	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P
January	761	4	0	443	15	0	445	4	0	348	9	6	10	0	0	98	1	0	...	.	.	227	8	0	8,717	1	6
February	791	10	0	394	6	0	123	9	0	147	5	6	80	0	0	2	12	0	92	3	0	...	.		7,427	7	6
March	825	11	0	449	0	0	668	13	0	350	4	6	238	7	6	92	7	0	179	15	6	9	12	0	8,546	14	6
April	813	15	6	539	8	0	322	1	0	268	12	6	329	1	6	68	6	6	243	9	0	152	10	6	9,779	15	6
May	731	8	0	553	13	6	241	10	6	144	15	0	246	7	6	5	8	0	293	12	0	...	.	.	8,818	10	6
June	1,038	1	0	652	4	6	366	11	6	86	3	0	188	3	0	67	0	0	9	0	0	149	1	6	9,816	4	6
July	1,121	3	6	554	12	6	501	15	6	618	2	0	243	8	0	59	10	0	294	4	0	80	14	0	11,111	1	0
August	623	5	0	344	3	0	247	13	0	202	10	0	120	13	6	121	13	0	74	12	6	3	4	0	6,542	12	0
September	301	14	0	349	9	0	355	14	6	97	8	0	125	0	0	127	8	0	65	10	6	...	.	.	3,982	13	0
October	412	8	0	407	4	0	189	6	6	199	15	0	57	8	0	135	4	0	3	0	0	92	8	0	6,938	13	6
November	1,194	6	0	835	15	0	291	10	0	421	0	0	231	13	0	113	14	0	355	9	0	79	7	6	11,316	4	6
December	763	4	0	482	12	6	278	6	6	325	15	0	288	7	0	8	12	0	3	0	0	.	.	.	8,688	5	6
Total ..	9,378	10	0	6,007	7	0	4,033	3	0	3,211	4	0	2,159	5	0	900	15	6	1,614	11	6	795	1	6	1,01,686	7	0

No. 1.—(*Continued.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twenty-second year of the institution, viz., from January to December 1872.

Months.	8 — Graduated Digest of Cases instituted during the year.														9 — Amount of Fees credited to Government during the year 1872.					
	Not above Rs. 10.	Above Rs. 10, not above Rs. 20.	Above Rs. 20, not above Rs. 50.	Above Rs. 50, not above Rs. 100.	Above Rs. 100, not above Rs. 200.	Above Rs. 200, not above Rs 300	Above Rs. 300, not above Rs. 400.	Above Rs. 400, not above Rs. 500.	Above Rs. 500, not above Rs. 600.	Above Rs. 600, not above Rs. 700.	Above Rs. 700, not above Rs. 800.	Above Rs. 800, not above Rs. 900.	Above Rs. 900, not above Rs. 1,000.	Total.	Fees received in Stamps on institution of Summonses.			Fees received in Stamps on Second and further Summonses.		
1872.															Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January ...	1,126	334	310	134	82	22	8	10	5	...	1	...	2	2,034	8,084	13	6	229	4	0
February ...	1,071	353	339	123	58	23	8	2	2	1	...	1	...	1,981	6,943	9	6	201	12	0
March	1,138	318	323	118	58	25	9	11	5	3	1	2	...	2,011	8,000	14	6	238	10	0
April	1,140	406	393	166	74	26	14	7	5	6	1	3	2	2,243	9,187	3	6	207	8	0
May	1,217	360	363	159	66	22	14	5	2	4	...	4	...	2,216	8,093	10	6	265	14	0
June	1,269	459	385	155	82	33	18	8	1	3	1	...	2	2,416	9,119	2	6	313	0	0
July	1,470	464	388	159	86	36	13	12	12	4	1	4	1	2,650	10,348	7	0	288	14	0
August ...	793	266	246	107	61	20	10	5	4	2	2	...	...	1,516	6,135	6	0	174	6	0
September ...	520	178	145	42	28	10	10	8	2	2	2	1	...	948	3,833	11	0	32	4	0
October... ...	1,037	311	329	127	49	14	10	4	4	1	2	...	1	1,889	6,573	9	6	87	12	0
November ...	1,297	452	384	171	95	39	22	6	8	4	1	5	1	2,485	10,635	6	6	247	2	0
December ...	1,130	380	347	123	84	24	12	6	6	5	...	...	...	2,117	8,160	15	0	210	6	0
Total ...	13,208	4,281	3,952	1,584	823	294	148	84	56	35	12	20	9	24,506	95,116	13	0	2,496	12	0

No 1.—(*Continued*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twenty-second year of the institution, viz., from January to December 1872.

Months.	(9—*Continued*) Amount of Fees credited to Government during the year 1872																10 Amount of Fines		
	Fees received in Stamps on Subpœnas			Fees received in Stamps on Warrants, Notices, and Interpleader Summonses, &c.			Fees realized in Pauper Suits			Total Gross Amount			Amount of Refund in Compromised Cases.			Net Amount carried to Credit of Government					
1872	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P.	Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P
January	403	0	0	402	11	0	8	10	0	9,128	6	6	1,407	6	9	7,720	15	9	.	..	..
February	282	2	0	354	5	0	...	...	..	7,781	12	6	1,497	15	9	6,283	12	9	...	.	...
March	307	6	0	372	11	0	78	4	0	8,997	13	6	1,225	4	3	7,772	9	3	1	0	0
April	385	4	0	440	10	0	...	...	...	10,220	9	6	1,563	8	0	8,657	1	6	8	0	0
May	459	2	0	437	8	0	...	...	...	9,256	2	6	1,515	0	3	7,741	2	3	...	...	..
June	384	2	0	611	5	0	..	...	...	10,427	9	6	1,451	7	6	8,976	2	0	...	..	...
July	473	12	0	484	6	0	46	4	0	11,641	11	0	1,805	12	0	9,835	15	0	...	...	.
August	233	0	0	456	0	0	...	..	...	6,998	12	0	1,348	6	6	5,650	5	6	...	..	...
September	116	14	0	199	7	0	...	.	.	4,182	4	0	529	11	6	3,652	8	6	...	...	...
October	277	8	0	284	0	0	...	...	...	7,222	13	6	1,109	13	0	6,113	0	6	...	...	.
November	433	12	0	638	5	0	.	...	...	11,954	9	6	1,797	6	3	10,157	3	3	...	...	. .
December ..	317	0	0	505	8	0		...	..	9,193	13	0	1,342	6	0	7,851	7	0	.	.	...
Total	4,072	14	0	5,186	12	0	133	2	0	1,07,006	5	0	16,594	1	9	90,412	3	3	9	0	0

No 1.—(*Continued*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes of the Twenty-second year of the institution, viz., from January to December 1872.

MONTHS.	11			12			13			14		
	Stamps on Copies of Judgment.			Stamp Duty and Penalty levied.			Excess Fees for Summonses, Subpœnas, and Warrants, &c., received			Unclaimed Deposits carried to the Credit of Government		
1872	RS	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	7	8	0	18	14	0	0	9	0	...	...	...
February	12	0	0	41	6	0	0	5	0	...	...	...
March	5	0	0	31	14	0	0	2	0	481	8	0
April	7	0	0	68	12	0	1	0	6	...	...	...
May ...	3	0	0	9	0	0	0	6	0	...	...	...
June	8	0	0	14	1	0	1	10	0	...	...	..
July	15	8	0	18	15	0	0	11	6	...	...	...
August	8	0	0	14	7	0	0	4	0	...	...	...
September	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...
October	6	8	0	40	8	0	0	2	0	...	...	...
November	8	0	0	12	12	0	0	4	0	...	...	...
December	4	8	0	31	11	0	0	10	0	...	...	...
Total ...	85	0	0	302	4	0	6	0	0	481	8	0

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1872, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays ... ... 52 days

New Year's Day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension Day, Her Majesty's Birth Day, and Christmas Day ... ... 6 „

Hindu and other holidays scattered throughout the year, and Saturdays during the adjournment ... ... 46 „

Total .. 104 „

The Court sat ... 262 „

Total ... 366 „

During the adjournment one Judge sat every day (except Saturdays, Sundays, and authorized holidays) and disposed of a certain number of cases.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st March* 1873.

(Signed) J M. MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 2.

Comparative Table of Cases heard and decided from January to December 1871, *and from January to December* 1872.

	January.		February		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total	
	1871.	1872.	1871.	1872	1871	1872.	1871.	1872	1871.	1872	1871	1872	1871.	1872.	1871.	1872.	1871.	1872.	1871.	1872.	1871.	1872	1871	1872.	1871.	1872.
Judgment for Plaintiff ...	1,836	1,846	1,533	1,263	1,349	1,108	1,073	1,259	1,316	1,216	1,286	1,267	1,312	1,338	873	719	420	485	788	907	927	1,085	173	382	12,786	12,870
Judgment for Defendant	90	93	74	66	50	59	41	67	63	73	41	50	61	58	37	35	20	27	32	43	31	53	8	9	548	631
Non-suited and struck off	378	417	296	349	278	304	265	314	290	278	310	321	266	371	208	237	81	107	195	116	161	231	45	80	2,773	3,125
Compromised	1,000	1,094	898	783	799	744	637	743	914	702	704	760	855	821	643	426	300	283	523	615	680	663	130	191	8,083	7,525
Undecided	8	3	14	13	20	38	27	32	29	36	61	76	150	131	165	156	69	64	266	248	544	493	124	1,513	1,477	2,802
Total ...	3,312	3,453	2,815	2,474	2,396	2,253	2,043	2,415	2,612	2,305	2,402	2,474	2,644	2,714	1,926	1,573	899	966	1,804	1,928	2,343	2,524	480	2,174	25,667	27,253

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31*st March* 1873.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 3.

Statement showing the Number of Causes remaining undecided on the 31*st December* 1872.

Number of cases postponed	for want of service	26
Do.	for plaintiffs or defendants, or for parties' witnesses	64
Do.	for attendance of plaintiffs or defendants	31
Do.	at the request of plaintiffs or defendants, or both parties ...	47
Do.	by order of Court	200
	Total ...	368

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31*st March* 1873.

J. M. MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 4.

Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized in Stamps from January 1871 to December 1872, prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court.

Months	1871. On account of Fees received on the Institution and Prosecution of Suits			1872. On account of Fees received on the Institution and Prosecution of Suits.			Total Increase of Fees in 1872			Total Decrease of Fees in 1872.			Remarks.
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
January	8,212	1	6	7,720	15	9	...	...	...	491	1	9	
February	8,988	13	9	6,283	12	9	...	...	...	2,705	1	0	
March	8,251	11	0	7,772	9	3	...	...	...	479	1	9	
April	7,768	5	6	8,657	1	6	888	12	0	...	...	...	
May	9,774	10	3	7,741	2	3	...	...	...	2,033	8	0	
June	9,283	15	6	8,976	2	0	...	...	...	307	13	6	
July	9,552	2	6	9,835	15	0	283	12	6	...	...	...	
August	7,926	4	9	5,650	5	6	...	...	...	2,275	15	3	
September	3,638	14	6	3,652	8	6	13	10	0	...	...	...	
October	6,920	7	0	6,113	0	6	...	...	...	807	6	6	
November	8,985	9	9	10,157	3	3	1,171	9	6	...	...	...	
December	7,416	10	6	7,851	7	0	434	12	6	...	...	...	
Total	96,719	10	6	90,412	3	3	2,792	8	6	9,099	15	9	

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31*st March* 1873.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 5.

Abstract Statement of Sums recovered and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their Demands from January to December 1872

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on hand	...	...	...	4,114	14	7	To cash paid to plaintiffs, &c, for causes decreed in Jan. 1872 ..	9,790	4	10			
By cash received on causes decreed in Jan. 1872 ...	10,996	15	1				Do do do. February „ ..	8,041	10	1			
Do. do. do. February „ ..	9,294	4	11				Do do do. March „ ...	10,457	9	6			
Do do. do. March „ ...	8,089	10	6				Do do do. April „ ...	9,074	8	8			
Do. do. do. April „ ...	8,292	8	9				Do do. do May „ ..	10,833	13	7			
Do do. do. May „ ...	11,483	7	6				Do do. do June „	9,533	13	11			
Do. do do June „ ...	10,148	10	10				Do do. do. July „ ...	9,839	12	0			
Do do. do. July „ ...	11,799	15	3				Do do do. August „ ..	10,369	1	1			
Do. do do August „ ...	10,170	4	8				Do do. do. September „ ...	4,957	13	1			
Do do. do. September „ ...	5,204	0	2				Do. do. do. October „ ...	6,271	2	1			
Do do, do October „ ...	6,490	3	8				Do. do de November „ ...	10,795	10	1			
Do. do do. November „ ...	9,242	0	7				Do do do. December „ ...	6,921	11	3			
Do do do. December „ ...	8,066	0	3								1,06,886	14	2
				1,09,278	2	2	Balance carried to next account ...	..	..	..	6,506	2	7
Total ..	...	...	.	1,13,393	0	9	Total ...	..	..		1,13,393	0	9

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(Signed) J M. MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 6.

Abstract of the Particulars of Demand from January to December 1872

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered	Other Goods sold and delivered.	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes	Wages	Work and Labor.	Work and Labor and Materials	For Money paid	For Money lent.	For Money had and received.	On Accounts stated.	For Use and Occupation.	On Judgment.	Guarantee.	Partnership Balance	Other Actions in Assumpsit.	Trover	Case.	Trespass	Assault.	Damage	Interpleader.	Recovery of Small Tenements	Ejectments.	Against Executors	Covenant.	Total
1872.																										
January	132	676	565	41	10	1	18	113	8	176	136	6	2	...	86	43	...	2	...	7	12	...	12	...	...	2,046
February	108	340	523	42	30	2	37	163	4	211	129	...	8	3	303	56	...	1	...	2	8	...	15	...	4	1,989
March	123	402	538	40	39	2	66	159	3	203	219	2	25	4	100	66	...	1	...	3	5	...	14	...	2	2,016
April...	337	346	458	46	31	6	98	119	10	244	156	5	29	15	289	23	...	...	...	9	10	...	21	...	1	2,253
May	170	307	547	26	35	5	51	187	5	227	276	9	14	3	245	69	...	...	...	15	8	...	16	...	9	2,224
June	153	315	578	38	29	2	42	182	11	310	234	12	17	...	397	69	...	...	..	4	15	...	21	...	2	2,431
July	302	516	557	61	51	18	70	150	30	239	231	12	30	15	260	73	...	1	1	8	8	...	18	1	7	2,659
August	87	238	419	45	10	3	32	97	16	172	116	5	15	3	192	42	...	...	...	4	7	...	11	...	9	1,523
September	89	152	200	28	22	4	28	55	12	69	129	1	13	1	124	19	...	...	...	..	9	...	4	...	...	957
October	85	427	478	32	11	1	27	145	4	188	167	7	14	...	229	48	...	...	...	4	4	...	20	..	2	1,893
November	103	543	698	41	31	1	67	163	10	251	327	3	15	5	94	87	...	...	1	5	11	...	19	1	21	2,497
December	162	461	564	16	28	2	34	151	12	220	198	...	17	1	172	61	...	...	...	2	10	...	9	...	7	2,127
Total ...	1,851	4,723	6,125	454	327	47	570	1,684	125	2,510	2,318	62	199	50	2,491	656	...	5	2	63	107	...	180	2	64	24,615

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 7.

Statement showing the Monthly Salaries of the three Judges and of the Establishment.

	RS	A.	P.
First Judge	2,000	0	0
Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each	2,000	0	0
Clerk and Assistant Clerk...	800	0	0
Establishment	1,994	8	0
Total ...	6,794	8	0

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(Signed) J M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 8.

Statement showing the Number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the Amount of Fees realized thereon during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, *and* 1872, *together with the Progressive Increase and Decrease in each year.*

Years.	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each year.	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each year.			Decrease of Fees in each year.		
				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1851	23,668	...	...	37,417	7	0	...	...	...	...	...	...
1852	24,392	724	...	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	...	...	...
1853	25,192	800	...	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	...	...	...
1854	26,483	1,291	...	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	...	...	...
1855	26,199	...	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	...	...	...
1856	22,869	...	3,330	43,682	14	6	...	...	...	8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	...	5,190	36,909	10	6	...	...	...	6,773	4	0
1858	18,020	346	...	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	...	...	...
1859	18,374	354	...	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	...	..	...
1860	19,778	1,104	...	63,294	8	3	8,694	6	3	...	...	...
1861	23,054	3,276	...	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	...	...	...
1862	22,345	...	709	76,122	0	10	...	...	...	14,926	0	8
1863	19,940	...	2,405	69,364	6	10	...	...	...	6,757	10	0
1864	20,781	841	..	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	...	...	...
1865	20,375	...	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	...	...	...
1866	21,191	816	...	96,277	15	0	15,584	8	10	...	...	...
1867	19,004	...	2,187	91,467	13	11	...	...	...	4,810	1	1
1868	20,134	1,130	...	90,386	6	8	...	...	..	1,081	7	3
1869	20,674	540	...	85,886	14	11	...	...	...	4,499	7	9
1870	24,071	9,397	...	98,564	5	0	12,667	6	1	...	.	...
1871	24,784	713	...	97,508	14	5	...	...	...	1,055	6	7
1872	24,506	...	278	90,902	11	3	...	...	...	6,606	8	1

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 9.

Statement showing the Number and Nature of Civil Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1872. (*Table* 2, *Appendix II. A, Judicial.*)

Nature of Claims.		Number of Cases
Money due on contract...	On written promise for sum certain	6,189
	On unwritten promise for sum certain	5,481
	On accounts stated...	2,510
	Money paid or received	2,379
	For goods sold and delivered	4,723
Rent		2,318
Recovery of personal property or value thereof		656
Damages...	For injuries to person	2
	For do. to property	39
	For defamation	7
	For other injuries not included in the above	...
	For breaches of contract not included in the above ...	22
Suits relating to mortgage of immoveable property		20
Suits for or relating to real property not included in the above		160
	Total ...	24,506

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st March* 1873.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No 10.

Statement showing the Value of Suits disposed of in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1872. (*Table No* 3, *Appendix II A., Judicial*)

						Rs	A.	P.
Not exceeding Rupees		5	...	..	...	23,392	0	9
Do	do.	20	...	.	...	94,361	12	10
Do.	do.	100	...	...	...	2,34,928	10	8
Do	do.	500	..	...	..	2,66,636	5	2
Do	do	1,000	..	.	..	79,175	11	4
				Total	..	6,98,494	8	9

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES, (Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
31*st March* 1873. *Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court*

No. 11

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Suits in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1872. (*Table No.* 4, *Appendix II A., Judicial.*)

Suits remaining from 1871	Filed in 1872	Received by Transfer	Total for Disposal	Transferred to other Courts	Plaint rejected or returned	Uncontested: Dismissed for Default	Uncontested: Withdrawn with Leave.	Uncontested: Compromised	Uncontested: Decreed on Confession	Uncontested: Decreed ex parte	Uncontested: Dismissed ex parte	Contested: Judgment for Plaintiff in whole or part	Contested: Judgment for Defendant.	Total: Disposed of.	Pending	Pending: Over two Months	Pending: Over four Months	Pending: Over twelve Months	Average Duration of Suit: Contested.	Average Duration of Suit: Uncontested.	Referred to Arbitration
2,747	24,506	...	27,253		...	3,117	1	7,825	952	7,441	7	4,477	631	24,451	2,802	741	546	39	Days 31	13	110

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st March* 1873.

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 12

Statement showing the Number of Suits pending in the Madras Court of Small Causes classified according to the years in which they were instituted (Table No 6, Appendix II. A, Judicial.)

Years in which instituted						Total	Remarks.
Previous to or in 1867.	In 1868	In 1869.	In 1870	In 1871	In 1872		
Original.	Original	Original.	Original	Original.	Original	Original	
...	1,937	2,333	2,143	2,712	2,760	..	The annual return of the Court for 1867 being defective, the number of suits pending cannot be given accurately

Madras Court of Small Causes,
31st *March* 1873

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 13

Statement showing the Execution of Decrees in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1872 *(Table No 7, Appendix II. A, Judicial.)*

Application to execute Decrees.				Decrees		Pending at the end of 1872	Nature and Number of Coercive Processes issued.					Orders under Section 243 of the Civil Procedure Code
							Imprisonment of Person	Moveable Property		Immoveable Property		
Pending from 1871	Filed in 1872	Received by Transfer	Total for Disposal	Completely executed.	Partially executed			Attached	Sold	Attached.	Sold	
458	7,608	.	8,066	6,760	299	1,007	622	574	304	..	..	

Madras Court of Small Causes,
31st *March* 1873.

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court.

RETURN OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1873.

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MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
30th March 1874.

No. 66.

FROM

THE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
Madras,

To

THE HONORABLE D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Ag. Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George,

SIR,

WE have the honor to send, herewith, for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the Twenty-third Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the year ending 31st December 1873.

2. The number of cases instituted during the year was 26,209, against 24,506 in the preceding year. In suits for sums over 500 rupees there was an increase of forty-eight cases as appears from the following statement:—

		Over Rs. 500.
Instituted in 1872	24,506	132
Do. in 1873	26,209	180
Increase ...	1,703	48

3. The receipts on account of fees, fines, and unclaimed deposits amounted to Rupees 1,05,029-4-8, against Rupees 90,902-11-3 in 1872. The cost of the establishment, including the salaries of the Judges and contingent charges, amounted to Rupees 81,980-1-6, and the balance to the credit of Government was Rupees 23,049-3-2.

4. There were 29,011 cases set down for hearing during the year. Of these, 14,283 cases were decided wholly or partly in favor of plaintiffs; 638 cases were decided in favor of defendants; 472 cases were non-suited; 2,427 cases were struck off; 8,259 cases were compromised; and 1,523 cases were pending at the close of the year; which, added to 1,409 cases instituted in 1873, but made returnable in 1874, make 2,932 cases pending on 1st January 1874, as appears from the following Statement A:—

A.

Statement showing the Number of Cases set down for hearing during the year 1873, *and those made returnable in* 1874, *and the disposal of such Cases*

		Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non suit.	Struck off and with drawn.	Compromised.	Undecided		Total.	Instituted in 1873, but made returnable in 1874.	Grand Total
							Partly heard and adjourned	On account of Summons not being served.			
Cases pending from 1872	2,802	1,487	85	102	349	738	10	31	2,802	..	2,802
Cases instituted in 1873 .	26,209	12,796	553	370	2,078	7,521	359	1,123	24,800	1,409	26,209
Total ..	29,011	14,283	638	472	2,427	8,259	369	1,154	27,602	1,409	29,011

5. There were 46 commissions to take evidence issued to this Court under Section 175, Act VIII. of 1859, in reference to cases instituted in the Mofussil Courts, under which 84 witnesses were examined.

6. The subjoined Table B shows, at a glance, the business connected with the 26,209 suits instituted in 1873, together with the manner in which they were disposed of. In this table a few new columns have been added to explain more fully the work done during the year. The figures representing the number of suits struck off or compromised or undecided include many cases which, after some inquiry, were adjourned for the attendance of witnesses, or for some other reason, and which, before the final hearing, were compromised; in some cases the result of such compromise was reported to the Court, and in others not so reported the cases were dismissed for default.

6*a*. There were 117 interpleader suits heard and disposed of during the year. Although these suits do not come under the class of new suits instituted during the year, they are, in point of fact, equivalent to new suits, the questions raised for decision being the title to property attached in satisfaction of decrees passed in the suits.

6*b*. Rules *Nisi* for new trials were made in 59 cases and refused in 17, in 35 cases the Rule was made absolute, in nine cases the Rule was discharged, and in 15 the motions were withdrawn or compromised.

B.

1878	Cases instituted in 1878.		Total.	Number of Copies of Summonses issued	Number of Second and Further Summonses issued	Number of Subpœnas issued	Attachments.	Warrants	Judges' Warrants	Copies of Judgment.	Committments	Releases.	Referred to Arbitration.	Warrants to sue and defend filed		In Person	Total
	English	Native												By Attorneys	By Vakeels.		
January	187	1,915	2,102	2,476	645	2,047	...	767	4	8	...	7	8	58	120	1,924	2,102
February	325	1,872	2,197	2,652	892	1,437	..	693	...	5		15	9	74	106	2,017	2,197
March	355	2,005	2,360	2,714	565	1,821	...	848	1	7	...	17	19	72	27	2,261	2,360
April	351	1,743	2,094	2,620	952	1,435		727	1	15	...	15	15	28	27	2,039	2,094
May	391	2,193	2,584	3,228	1,038	1,817	...	877	1	6	...	21	8	64	82	2,438	2,584
June	274	2,095	2,369	2,767	490	1,932	...	863	1	9		22	5	75	83	2,211	2,369
July	259	2,528	2,787	3,278	718	1,984	..	934	...	18	1	25	6	81	88	2,618	2,787
August	192	1,406	1,598	1,810	512	1,111	...	660	..	14	...	11	9	52	32	1,514	1,598
September	146	968	1,114	1,326	213	601	...	509	2	4	2	16	2	24	48	1,042	1,114
October	381	1,683	2,064	2,654	690	1,690	..	546	1	13	1	20	13	36	25	2,003	2,064
November	294	2,581	2,875	3,464	540	1,970	...	859	6	15	2	15	18	134	110	2,631	2,875
December	189	1,876	2,065	2,468	612	1,431	..	718	2	12	1	15	12	50	44	1,971	2,065
Total ...	3,344	22,865	26,209	31,457	7,867	19,276	.....	9,001	19	126	7	199	124	748	792	24,669	26,209

B.—(*Continued*).

1878.	Disposals of Suits instituted in 1878.														Total.	Interpleader Suits.			Motions for new Trial or pursuant to leave reserved.				Motions for Revival of Judgment.	Other Motions.
	Judgment for Plaintiffs.			Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suit.	Struck off.		Compromised.		Withdrawn.		Undecided.				Claim allowed.		Claim disallowed.						
	Ex parte.	Confession	Defended			Unheard	Partly heard	Unheard.	Partly heard.	Unheard.	Partly heard.	Caused journed to next year	Second and Further Summons pending.	Cases instituted in 1878, but returnable in 1874.		In part.	In whole.		Rule refused.	Rule granted.	Rule made absolute.	Rule discharged.		
January	635	144	380	54	41	155	63	511	111	1	1	3	3	...	2,102	...	4	4	...	13	7	2	88	4
February	792	22	366	48	37	176	18	704	22	.	...	1	11	...	2,197	2	8	...	4	13	8	1	105	8
March	893	49	320	72	46	153	38	749	30	...	...	...	10	...	2,360	...	12	...	...	8	7	1	69	2
April	621	43	433	47	46	113	48	565	127	1	...	12	38	...	2,094	...	4	2	2	6	7	1	126	4
May	958	188	316	52	34	199	17	744	20	...	1	14	41	...	2,584	...	13	2	1	7	1	1	108	1
June	870	192	145	63	41	202	12	764	4	...	...	17	59	...	2,369	...	14	1	...	6	1	...	129	3
July	765	151	512	65	43	189	95	751	112	...	...	23	81	...	2,787	2	6	2	2	3	2	1	64	20
August	537	108	184	50	23	117	19	424	18	...	...	14	104	...	1,598	...	5	...	2	1	1	...	31	13
September...	353	9	196	26	18	83	20	307	5	...	...	27	70	...	1,114	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	6
October	620	184	231	29	22	95	23	578	18	...	...	41	223	....	2,064	2	7	4	2	...	1	...	28	7
November...	955	186	167	38	16	199	11	769	7	...	...	152	370	5	2,875	...	7	4	2	1	...	1	66	13
December...	204	36	31	9	3	29	...	181	...	...	...	55	113	1,404	2,065	1	4	4	2	1	...	1	40	14
Total ...	8,203	1,312	3,281	553	370	1,710	364	7,047	474	2	2	359	1,123	1,409	26,209	7	86	24	17	59	35	9	854	95

7. The increase in the number of suits during the past year and of late has considerably augmented the work, not only of the Clerks, but also of the Bailiffs. Sometimes no less than 200 suits a day were instituted, and it was found almost impracticable for the existing Clerks engaged in the copying department to copy out all the summonses in the course of the day. The staff of Bailiffs being insufficient, second and further summonses and warrants had to be issued not without additional expense and inconvenience to the suitors. To remedy this state of things we deem it expedient, in the interest of the suitors who resort to this Court, and who are so considerably taxed in so doing, to submit, in a separate communication, an application for increasing the number of Clerks. The increase of expenditure required for the purpose may be met from a small portion of the surplus revenue of the Court.

8. It will be observed that the number of suits in this Court in 1873, viz., 26,209, is unusually large. It is at the same time notorious that the year was one of considerable depression so far as the trade and commerce of Madras are concerned. Increased commercial activity implies an increase of those transactions which may form the subject of litigation; but in no other sense can brisk litigation be said to indicate brisk trade. Indeed, increased litigation is so far from being a test of sound commercial activity, that it is highly probable, if not absolutely certain, that unsuccessful and unprofitable commercial operations will give rise to more litigation than will those of a successful and profitable character.

9. In all communities there must exist some amount of unavoidable recourse to Courts of law. Doubtful questions of law and disputed questions of fact are properly submitted to judicial determination. And in so far as the business of Courts is conversant with such questions only it is of a kind which may be called satisfactory inasmuch as it is necessary. It is certain that a considerable number of the suits in this Court in every year must come under the category of unnecessary litigation. In many of them plaintiffs must have brought actions quite unfounded in law or fact, or for sums in excess of those to which they well knew, or might easily have known, themselves entitled; and in many defendants must have resisted claims known to be true in fact or good in law, or in which such knowledge was easily attainable. In so far as the number of suits represents unavoidable litigation, it expresses the extent of a necessary evil; and in so far as it represents avoidable litigation, it measures, more or less accurately, the recklessness and dishonesty infecting the actually litigated transactions taking place within the Court's jurisdiction.

10. The number of suits in 1873 is the largest of any year but one since the institution of the Court. But this is, as it seems to us, not a subject for congratulation, inasmuch as all litigation, of whatever sort, is an evil, the existence of which, however unavoidable, is nevertheless to be deplored.

11. The following comparative table shows the classes of cases which have increased and decreased during the year:—

——					1872	1873	Increase.	Decrease
In suits not above Rupees	10	...	...	...	13,208	13,715	507	...
Do.	„	20	...	...	4,281	4,596	315	...
Do.	„	50	...	...	3,952	4,332	380	
Do	„	100	...	...	1,584	1,768	184	...
Do	„	200	...	...	823	1,032	209	...
Do	„	300	...	...	294	336	42	...
Do	„	400	...	...	148	151	3	.
Do	„	500	...	...	84	99	15	...
Do	„	600	...	...	56	86	30	..
Do.	„	700	...	..	35	30	...	5
Do	„	800	...	...	12	31	19	...
Do.	„	900	...	...	20	15	...	5
Do.	„	1,000	...	...	9	18	9	...

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

T. M. BUSTEED,

C. RUNGANADA SHASTRY,

T. MUTHUSAMI IYER,

Judges.

No 1

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-third year of its institution, viz, from January to December 1873

Months	1 Number of Suits instituted			2	3	4	5			6			7 Graduated Digest of Costs received in Stamps on institution of Suits but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors, who may have compromised their Cases.											
	English	Native	Total.	The English Cases bear to the Native Cases the Ratio of	Number of Days on which the Court was opened.	Average Number of Suits instituted daily.	Amount litigated in Suits instituted			Value of Suits instituted and disposed of in 1873			Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees		
1873							Rs	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P.	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs.	A.	P	Rs	A	P
January ..	187	1,915	2,102	10 2406	22	95 5909	63,874	0	2	63,743	10	0	833	10	0	941	11	0	1,813	7	0	1,548	4	0	1,925	9	0
February .	325	1,872	2,197	5 76	21	104 619	65,767	7	7	64,509	4	3	906	0	0	849	0	0	1,869	8	0	1,579	9	0	1,359	11	0
March .	355	2,005	2,360	5 647	24	98 3	72,553	15	4	41,097	3	10	961	0	0	900	9	0	2,200	9	0	1,809	8	0	1,913	14	0
April ...	351	1,743	2,094	4 965	21	99 714	66,722	7	4	68,153	7	2	866	12	0	852	12	0	1,565	14	0	1,738	3	0	1,623	0	0
May .. .	391	2,193	2,584	5 608	25	103 36	81,705	0	7	68,898	15	2	1,079	0	0	1,042	15	0	2,094	7	0	1,632	8	0	1,827	12	0
June	274	2,095	2,369	7 645	25	94 76	79,918	12	4	76,748	9	5	931	8	0	1,018	1	0	2,089	11	0	2,028	5	0	1,753	11	0
July	259	2,528	2,787	9 7606	27	103 2	85,185	9	11	79,235	9	5	1,134	11	0	1,092	8	0	2,254	3	0	2,158	5	0	2,355	14	0
August	192	1,406	1,598	7 322	22	72 636	53,719	10	9	48,492	5	7	650	0	0	597	14	0	1,329	15	0	1,222	13	0	1,374	13	0
September ..	146	968	1,114	6 601	21	53 047	42,785	15	6	37,923	9	5	389	15	0	413	12	0	993	14	0	838	14	0	983	12	0
October .	381	1,683	2,064	4 417	23	89 739	78,841	9	6	73,585	11	4	794	9	0	838	4	0	1,665	3	0	1,724	2	0	1,876	10	6
November ..	294	2,581	2,875	8 778	24	119 791	91,283	8	0	62,900	5	6	1,137	5	0	1,210	7	0	2,384	13	0	2,055	9	0	2,465	13	0
December .	189	1,876	2,065	9 925	18	114 72	66,422	4	9	11,752	0	10	823	3	0	820	15	0	1,783	9	0	1,375	4	0	1,733	14	0
Total .	3,344	22,865	26,209	6 837	273	96 003	8,48,780	5	9	6,97,040	11	11	10,507	9	0	10,578	12	0	22,045	1	0	19,711	4	0	21,194	5	6

No 1 —(*Continued*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-third year of its institution, viz, from January to December 1873

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Months	Graduated Digest of Costs Received in Stamps on Institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases.																											
	Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 800 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rupees.			Total		
1873.	Rs	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P.	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P
January	720	8	6	427	0	0	521	9	6	303	10	0	87	15	6	88	5	6	85	15	6	84	12	0	9,382	5	6
February	476	9	0	534	8	6	93	13	0	376	3	6	410	1	6	144	10	6	146	3	6	320	2	0	9,067	15	6
March	767	10	6	381	10	0	427	0	0	288	9	0	117	7	0	133	2	6	151	10	0	103	14	0	10,156	7	0
April	1,037	11	0	422	6	0	354	0	6	304	0	0	124	10	6	203	13	6	82	12	0	91	4	0	9,267	2	6
May	1,074	2	0	857	0	0	354	2	6	609	7	0	282	13	6	85	2	0	89	12	0	77	13	0	11,106	14	0
June	1,178	9	0	444	3	0	385	10	6	379	14	0	116	7	0	8	4	0	142	15	0	82	3	0	10,559	5	6
July	1,073	14	6	350	13	6	581	5	6	552	13	6	119	13	6	254	3	6	3	0	0	..	.	.	11,931	9	0
August	779	3	0	407	2	0	278	8	0	103	13	0	81	4	0	192	11	6	..	..	.	242	0	0	7,260	0	6
September	634	5	6	265	8	0	261	7	0	369	6	6	116	15	0	59	1	0	70	3	6	161	14	0	5,558	15	6
October	739	8	0	569	8	6	409	8	6	406	8	0	228	13	6	405	4	0	215	5	0	164	10	6	10,037	14	6
November	1,248	11	6	648	6	6	692	3	0	321	12	6	53	4	6	326	0	0	84	11	0	75	5	6	12,704	5	6
December	896	13	6	544	12	0	446	13	6	338	6	6	65	0	0	192	14	0	69	13	0	84	12	0	9,176	1	6
Total ..	10,629	10	0	5,852	14	0	4,806	1	0	4,354	7	6	1,804	9	6	2,093	8	0	1,142	4	6	1,488	10	0	1,16,209	0	6

No. 1 —(*Continued*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-third year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1873

Months.	8 — Graduated Digest of Cases instituted during the year.														9 — Amount of Fees credited to Government during the year 1873					
	Not above Rs 10	Above Rs 10, not above Rs 20	Above Rs 20, not above Rs 50	Above Rs 50, not above Rs 100	Above Rs 100, not above Rs 200	Above Rs 200 not above Rs 300	Above Rs 300, not above Rs 400	Above Rs 400, not above Rs 500	Above Rs 500, not above Rs 600	Above Rs 600, not above Rs. 700	Above Rs 700, not above Rs 800	Above Rs 800, not above Rs 900	Above Rs 900, not above Rs 1,000	Total.	Fees received in Stamps on institution of Sum monses.			Fees received in Stamps on Second and Further Summonses.		
1873															Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P
January	1,079	399	346	136	92	22	9	7	8	1	1	1	1	2,102	8,371	5	6	229	8	0
February	1,199	372	366	143	65	15	14	2	7	7	2	1	4	2,197	8,394	4	6	214	11	0
March	1,232	391	428	164	91	24	9	9	5	2	2	2	1	2,360	9,301	9	0	283	6	0
April	1,122	367	304	156	80	33	11	8	6	2	3	1	1	2,094	8,632	2	6	195	4	0
May	1,409	446	409	144	90	35	23	8	12	5	1	1	1	2,584	10,384	0	0	219	0	0
June	1,188	437	406	184	86	37	11	8	7	2	...	2	1	2,369	9,722	9	6	245	12	0
July	1,490	480	443	188	114	33	9	13	11	2	4	...	...	2,787	11,075	5	0	259	2	0
August ..	849	261	266	108	63	23	13	4	4	1	3	...	3	1,598	6,789	10	6	125	0	0
September ...	553	179	208	75	52	21	7	6	7	2	1	1	2	1,114	5,321	1	6	55	12	0
October	1,055	366	329	153	88	26	15	9	7	4	6	4	2	2,064	9,414	0	6	122	4	0
November ...	1,462	542	469	192	126	38	17	15	6	1	5	1	1	2,875	11,892	3	6	195	6	0
December ...	1,077	356	358	125	85	29	13	10	6	1	3	1	1	2,065	8,517	7	6	201	2	0
Total ...	13,715	4,596	4,332	1,768	1,032	336	151	99	86	30	31	15	18	26,209	1,07,815	11	6	2,346	8	0

No. 1—(*Continued.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-third year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1873.

Months.	9.—(*Continued.*) Amount of Fees credited to Government during the year 1873.																			
	Fees received in Stamps on Subpœnas			Fees received in Stamps on Warrants, Notices, and Interpleader Summonses, &c.			Fees realized in Pauper Suits.			Fees received in Stamps on Copies of Judgment.			Value of Stamps affixed on Powers of Attorney for drawing Money out of the Court.			Total Gross Amount.			Amount of Half Costs refunded.		
1873.	Rs	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	781	8	0	506	9	0	...	...	...	7	0	0	...	...	...	9,895	14	6	1,559	6	0
February	459	0	0	457	0	0	3	4	0	4	8	0	...	...	...	9,532	11	6	1,299	7	9
March	571	8	0	543	11	0	2	2	0	5	0	0	...	...	...	10,707	4	0	1,684	3	9
April	439	12	0	490	9	0	5	0	0	10	0	0	...	...	...	9,772	11	6	1,456	9	6
May	303	14	0	554	11	0	...	...	...	2	8	0	...	...	...	11,664	1	0	2,039	12	0
June	591	0	0	616	5	0	0	11	0	7	8	0	...	...	...	11,183	13	6	1,664	7	9
July	597	2	0	590	4	0	...	...	...	15	0	0	...	...	...	12,536	13	0	1,969	14	6
August	345	6	0	427	3	0	...	...	...	11	0	0	...	...	...	7,698	3	6	1,612	13	6
September	182	2	0	423	7	0	...	...	...	3	0	0	11	0	0	5,996	6	6	515	9	3
October	501	10	0	349	1	0	...	...	...	10	0	0	45	0	0	10,441	15	6	902	11	3
November	616	12	0	630	5	0	...	...	...	12	8	0	55	0	0	13,402	2	6	1,921	4	6
December	457	8	0	568	10	0	...	...	...	10	8	0	12	0	0	9,767	3	6	1,415	1	6
Total ...	6,047	2	0	6,157	11	0	11	1	0	98	8	0	123	0	0	1,22,599	4	6	18,041	5	3

No. 1.—(*Continued*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-third year of its institution, viz, from January to December 1873

Months.	9—(*Continued*) Amount of Fees credited to Government during the year 1873. Net Amount carried by means of Stamps to the credit of Government			10 Amount of Fines.			11 Unclaimed Deposits carried to the credit of Government			12 Stamp Duty and Penalty levied.			13 Excess of Fees on Summonses, Second and Further Summonses, Subpœnas and Warrants, &c		
1873.	Rs	A	P	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P
January	8,336	8	6				...		.	15	0	0	0	5	0
February	8,233	3	9	100	0	0	...	.		15	3	0	0	3	0
March ..	9,023	0	3	...	.		319	11	5	39	15	0	0	5	0
April .. .	8,316	2	0	..	.	.	.			15	6	0	0	9	0
May	9,624	5	0		.	.				15	3	0	0	4	0
June	9,519	5	9	..	.	.				8	1	0	0	11	0
July . ..	10,566	14	6	5	0	0		.		56	1	0	1	5	0
August .. .	6,085	6	0	35	0	0		.		51	3	0	1	1	6
September ..	5,480	13	3	..	.		..	..	.				0	6	0
October	9,539	4	3	.		.		.		9	12	0	0	7	0
November ..	11,480	14	0	1	10	0	.			32	1	0	0	4	0
December	8,352	2	0	10	0	0		.		42	9	0	0	5	6
Total ..	1,04,557	15	3	151	10	0	319	11	5	300	6	0	6	2	0

MEMORANDUM

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1873, the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays . .. 52 days.

New Year's Day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension Day, Her Majesty's Birth Day, and Christmas Day .. .. .. 6 „

Hindu and other holidays scattered throughout the year and Saturdays during the adjournment ... ... 34 „

Total .. 92 „

The Court sat ... 273 „

Total .. 365 „

During the adjournment one Judge sat every day (except Saturdays, Sundays and authorized holidays), and disposed of a certain number of cases

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30*th March* 1874.

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 2.

Comparative Table of Cases heard and decided from January to December 1872, *and from January to December* 1873.

	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.	1873.
Judgment for Plaintiff ...	1,846	2,014	1,263	1,466	1,103	1,389	1,259	1,177	1,216	1,516	1,267	1,232	1,383	1,451	719	844	485	563	907	1,039	1,085	1,316	382	276	12,870	14,283
Judgment for defendant.	93	89	66	56	59	82	67	54	73	63	50	70	58	66	35	52	27	26	42	29	52	39	9	13	631	638
Non-suited and struck off.	417	476	349	331	304	232	314	243	273	230	321	268	371	339	237	164	107	121	116	141	231	229	80	34	3,125	2,899
Compromised	1,094	1,088	783	864	744	842	743	709	702	789	760	775	821	875	426	446	283	312	615	600	663	776	191	181	7,825	8,259
Undecided	3	6	13	12	38	10	32	50	36	57	76	78	131	107	156	124	64	99	248	269	493	534	1,512	1,586	2,802	2,932
Total ...	3,453	3,675	2,474	3,719	2,253	2,605	2,415	2,232	2,305	2,704	2,474	2,423	2,714	2,838	1,573	1,630	966	1,121	1,928	2,078	2,524	2,896	2,174	2,020	27,253	29,011

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30*th March* 1874.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 3.

Statement showing the Number of Causes remaining undecided on 31*st December* 1873.

Number of cases postponed for want of service		32
Do.	for plaintiffs or defendants, or for parties' witnesses	53
Do.	for attendance of plaintiffs or defendants	57
Do.	at the request of plaintiffs or defendants, or for both parties ...	51
Do.	by order of Court	207
	Total ...	400

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30*th March* 1874.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No 4

Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized in Stamps from January 1872 to December 1873, prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court.

Months	1872			1873			Total Increase of Fees in 1873.			Total Decrease of Fees in 1873.			Remarks
	On account of Fees received on the Institution and Prosecution of Suits			On account of Fees received on the Institution and Prosecution of Suits.									
	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs.	A	P	Rs	A	P	
January	7,720	15	9	8,336	8	6	615	8	9	..	.	...	
February	6,283	12	9	8,233	3	9	1,949	7	0	.	...	..	
March	7,772	9	3	9,023	0	3	1,250	7	0		...	..	
April	8,657	1	6	8,316	2	0	.	...	...	340	15	6	
May	7,741	2	3	9,624	5	0	1,883	2	9	...	...		
June	8,976	2	0	9,519	5	9	543	3	9	..	...	..	
July	9,835	15	0	10,566	14	6	730	15	6	...	...	...	
August	5,650	5	6	6,085	6	0	435	0	6	...	...	...	
September	3,652	8	6	5,480	13	3	1,828	4	9	...	...	...	
October	6,113	0	6	9,539	4	3	3,426	3	9	..	..	...	
November	10,157	3	3	11,480	14	0	1,323	10	9	...	...	...	
December	7,851	7	0	8,352	2	0	500	11	0	...	...	...	
Total ...	90,412	3	3	1,04,557	15	3	14,486	11	6	340	15	6	

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No 5.

Abstract Statement of Sums received and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their Demands from January to December 1873.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance in cash Rupees 6,506-2-7	...	...	...	23,889	6	5
Amount of Government Securities Rupees 17,383-3-10						
By cash received on causes decreed in January 1873 ...	14,432	6	0			
Do. do. February „ ...	10,950	6	2			
Do. do. March „ ...	11,675	2	5			
Do. do. April „ ...	7,922	8	3			
Do. do. May „ ...	13,236	3	1			
Do. do. June „ ...	10,668	12	1			
Do. do July „ ...	15,292	3	9			
Do. do. August „ ...	11,666	15	6			
Do. do. September „ ...	8,293	11	7			
Do. do. October „ .	6,891	6	1			
Do. do November „ ...	10,372	15	4			
Do. do December „ ...	11,140	9	1			
				1,32,543	3	4
Total ...	...	...	...	1,56,432	9	9

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
To cash paid to plaintiffs, &c., for causes decreed in January 1873 ...	13,247	3	11			
Do. do. do. February „ ...	11,513	5	10			
Do. do. do. March „ ...	10,921	6	7			
Do. do. do. April „ ...	8,810	14	10			
Do. do. do. May „ ...	13,162	6	4			
Do. do do. June „ ...	11,012	3	0			
Do. do. do. July „ ...	15,267	13	4			
Do. do. do. August „ ...	12,447	13	1			
Do do. do. September „ ...	7,869	4	5			
Do. do. do. October „ ...	6,994	5	7			
Do. do. do. November „ ...	9,400	2	11			
Do. do. do. December „ ...	12,947	10	10			
				1,33,594	10	8
Balance on hand	...	...	...	22,837	15	1
Total ...	...	...	...	1,56,432	9	9

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(Signed) J. M MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 6

Abstract of the Particulars of Demand from January to December 1873.

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered.	Other Goods sold and delivered	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.	Wages	Work and Labor.	Work and Labor and Materials.	For Money paid.	For Money lent.	For Money had and received.	On Accounts stated	For Use and Occupation.	On Judgment.	Guarantee.	Partnership Balance.	Other Actions in Assumpsit	Trover	Case	Trespass	Assault.	Damage.	Interpleader.	Recovery of Small Tenements	Ejectments.	Against Executors	Covenant	Total.
1873																										
January ...	257	558	496	40	11	2	38	87	20	170	174	...	3	...	141	65	...	9		4	8	...	13	...	14	2,110
February ..	130	516	575	38	30	...	53	155	9	256	199	18	16	1	90	66	...	...	1	6	10	...	25	...	13	2,207
March	95	442	696	50	19	.	73	181	6	229	222	9	12	2	228	48	...	2	...	8	12	...	24	...	14	2,372
April ...	145	378	610	27	17	1	45	148	15	274	132	1	13	2	232	37	...	...	...	7	6	...	9	...	1	2,100
May	171	471	690	38	34	4	61	199	17	277	246	9	25	...	246	64	...	..	...	6	15	...	14	...	12	2,599
June	122	405	698	44	23	...	46	191	8	219	239	5	14	...	254	65	...	4	...	5	15	...	20	...	7	2,384
July	222	779	631	47	22	19	76	218	38	292	195	3	10	1	105	72	...	...	1	4	10	...	15	...	37	2,797
August	60	303	470	32	16	1	35	119	10	159	169	2	9	5	169	19	...	...	1	3	5	...	11	...	5	1,603
September	65	225	312	23	30	3	33	80	8	118	102	1	14	2	37	36	..	...	2	3	3	..	7	...	13	1,117
October	158	397	576	31	6	...	31	137	40	303	147	1	17	2	164	44	...	.	...	3	13	...	7	...	...	2,077
November	214	380	748	37	19	..	77	246	9	326	275	7	27	1	415	72	...	2	1	3	11	...	16	...	...	2,886
December	132	350	488	43	18	15	71	141	12	210	264	6	24	4	208	46	..	1	...	8	9	...	18	...	6	2,074
Total ...	1,771	5,204	6,990	450	245	45	639	1,902	192	2,833	2,364	62	184	20	2,289	634	...	18	6	60	117	...	179	...	122	26,326

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 7.

Statement showing the Monthly Salaries of the three Judges and of the Establishment.

	RS	A.	P.
First Judge	2,000	0	0
Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each	2,000	0	0
Clerk and Assistant Clerk...	800	0	0
Establishment	1,994	8	0
Total ...	6,794	8	0

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 8.

Statement showing the Number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the Amount of Fees realized thereon, including Fine and Unclaimed Deposit, during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, *and* 1873, *together with the Progressive Increase and Decrease in each year.*

Years.	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each year.	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each year.			Decrease of Fees in each year.		
				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1851	23,668	...	...	37,417	7	0	...	...	..	...	..	..
1852	24,392	724	...	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	...	...	...
1853	25,192	800	...	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	...	...	...
1854	26,483	1,291	...	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	...	..	..
1855	26,199	...	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	...	.	..
1856	22,869	...	3,330	43,682	14	6	...	..	..	8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	...	5,190	36,909	10	6	...	...	..	6,773	4	0
1858	18,020	346	...	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	...	...	...
1859	18,374	354	...	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	...	..	...
1860	19,778	1,104	...	63,294	8	3	8,694	6	3	...	...	...
1861	23,054	3,276	...	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	...	...	...
1862	22,345	...	709	76,122	0	10	...	...	..	14,926	0	8
1863	19,940	...	2,405	69,364	6	10	...	...	...	6,757	10	0
1864	20,781	841	...	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	...	...	...
1865	20,375	...	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	...	...	.
1866	21,191	816	...	96,277	15	0	15,584	8	10	...	.	...
1867	19,004	...	2,187	91,467	13	11	...	..	..	4,810	1	1
1868	20,134	1,130	...	90,386	6	8	...	...	...	1,081	7	3
1869	20,674	540	...	85,886	14	11	...	..	...	4,499	7	9
1870	24,071	3,397	...	98,564	5	0	12,667	6	1	...	.	..
1871	24,784	713	...	97,508	14	5	...	...	...	1,055	6	7
1872	24,506	...	278	90,902	11	3	...	...	.	6,606	8	1
1873	26,209	1,703	...	1,05,029	4	8	14,125	9	5	...	...	...

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 9.

Statement showing the Number and Nature of Civil Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1873 (*Table* 2, *Appendix II.A., Judicial*).

Nature of Claims.		Number of Cases.
Money due on contract ...	On written promise for sum certain	7,124
	On unwritten promise for sum certain	5,060
	On accounts stated	2,833
	Money paid or received	2,783
	For goods sold and delivered	5,204
Rent		2,364
Recovery of personal property or value thereof		634
Damages	For injuries to person	6
	For injuries to property	42
	For defamation	5
	For other injuries not included in the above	2
	For breach of contract not included in the above ...	23
Suits relating to mortgage of immoveable property		28
Suits for or relating to the real property not included in the above		151
	Total ...	26,209

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court

No 10

Statement showing the Value of Suits disposed of in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1873 (*Table No.* 3, *Appendix II.A, Judicial.*)

						Rs	A.	P
Not exceeding	Rupees	5	...	...	'.	23,323	13	7
Do	do.	20	...	...	...	87,104	12	3
Do.	do	100	...	...	...	2,41,402	10	7
Do.	do	500	..	..	..	2,43,268	11	6
Do	do	1,000	...	...		1,01,940	12	0
				Total ...		6,97,040	11	11

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 11.

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Suits in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1873. (*Table No.* 4, *Appendix II A, Judicial.*)

Suits remaining from 1872.	Filed in 1873	Received by Transfer.	Total for Disposal	Transferred to other Courts	Plaint rejected or returned	Uncontested						Contested.			Disposed of.	Pending	Pending			Average Duration of Suit.		Referred to Arbitration
						Dismissed for Default.	Withdrawn with Leave.	Compromised	Decreed on Confession.	Judgment ex parte.		Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant	Non-suit			Over two Months.	Over four Months	Over twelve Months.	Contested.	Uncontested.	
										Decreed ex parte.	Dismissed ex parte											
2,802	26,209	...	29,011	...	..	2,422	4	8,259	1,312	8,203	1	4,768	638	472	26,079	2,932	2,460	431	41	26	14	124

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 12.

Statement showing the Number of Suits pending in the Madras Court of Small Causes classified according to the years in which they were instituted (Table No 6, Appendix II A, Judicial)

Years in which instituted.						Total	Remarks
In 1868	In 1869	In 1870.	In 1871	In 1872	In 1873.		
Original	Original	Original	Original.	Original.	Original	Original	
...	...	...	3	38	2,891	2,932	

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30th *March* 1874.

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 13.

Statement showing the Execution of Decrees in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1873 *(Table No. 7, Appendix II A., Judicial)*

Application to execute Decrees				Decrees		Pending at the end of 1873.	Nature and Number of Coercive Process issued.					Orders under Section 243 of the Civil Procedure Code.
							Imprisonment of Person	Moveable Property.		Immoveable Property.		
Pending from 1872.	Filed in 1873	Received by Transfer	Total for Disposal	Completely executed	Partially executed			Attached.	Sold.	Attached.	Sold.	
1,007	6,977	...	7,984	6,469	744	771	711	664	321	...	...	...

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(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read letter from the Judges of the Madras Court of Small Causes.

(Here enter 30th March 1874, No. 66.)

ORDER THEREON, 19th August 1874, No. 1,543.

This, the Annual Report for 1873, will be reviewed together with the Report for 1872, which, from some inadvertence, was not reviewed at the proper time.

2. Comparing the two years, the results are as follow:—

Number of Suits. 1872.		*Number of Suits.* 1873.	
Pending	2,747	Pending	2,802
Filed	24,506	Filed	26,209
Total for disposal...	27,253	Total for disposal	29,011
Disposed of	24,451	Disposed of	26,079
Of which "contested" ...	5,108	"Contested"	5,876;

the "Contested" return for 1873 including 472 non-suits.

3. The number of suits instituted in 1873 is larger than that of any previous year, 1854 excepted, when it stood at 26,483. The past year was one of considerable depression in trade, and the Judges state their experience that it is nearly certain that unsuccessful and unprofitable commercial operations give rise to more litigation than those of an opposite character.

4. As regards the character of the litigation instituted, the following results are obtained, viz.:—

	1872.	1873.
Suits not above 10 Rupees, which is the jurisdiction of every Village Munsif	13,208	13,715
Suits not above 20 Rupees, which was the jurisdiction of the old Presidency "Courts of Request"	17,489	18,311
Suits not above 50 Rupees, which is the Small Causes Jurisdiction of every District Munsif...	21,441	22,643

5. The latest enlargement of the jurisdiction of the Court, from 500 Rupees to Rupees 1,000, led to the filing of 132 suits in 1872 and of 180 suits in 1873.

Act XXVI., 1864.

But in neither year was the further provision availed of, viz., that the Court may take cognizance of suits for sums exceeding 1,000 Rupees, if the parties consent.

6. In the month of April 1872 the Governor in Council, on the recommendation of the Judges—who pointed out that the difference of the costs of suits instituted in their Court and the High Court, respectively, rendered the Small Cause Court "the more expensive tribunal of the two"—sanctioned a reduction of the institution fee on sums over Rupees 200 from 2 Annas to 1 Anna in the Rupee; at

G.O., 3rd April 1872, No. 479.

the same time intimating his readiness to consider the propriety of a small increase to the establishment, should the foregoing change necessitate such additional expenditure. The *immediate* effect of this change reduced the net amount carried to the credit of Government in 1872 by Rupees 6,606-3-1, as compared with the previous year; but in 1873 there was an increase of Rupees 14,125-9-5 over 1872, leaving Rupees 23,049-3-2 over and above the cost of the Court and the contingent charges. The experiment having resulted in this financial success, the Governor in Council approves the entertainment of the extra establishment, at the cost of Rupees 128-8-0 per mensem, or Rupees 1,542 per annum, represented by the Judges to be necessary under the increase of the business of the Court. It should be entertained at once; meanwhile, the Judges will furnish an application to be submitted to the Government of India in the usual tabulated form.

7. Adverting to the general question of the relative outlay in Court fees in the two tribunals, it is satisfactory to know that under the table of fees recently sanctioned for the Original Side of the High Court it will no longer be cheaper in any case to sue there than in the Small Cause Court. From a calculation which has been furnished to him, His Excellency in Council learns that the comparative cheapness of a suit for 1,000 Rupees (the Small Cause Court limit) will now be fifty per cent. in favor of the lower tribunal; and that the numerous suits cognizable by the Small Cause Court which have heretofore been brought in the High Court will now be diverted into the proper judicatory.

G.O., 18th July 1874, No. 1,319.

8. In reviewing the Small Cause Court Report for 1871, it was noticed that besides such suits sundry suits under 1,000 Rupees are annually filed in the High Court under the "Summary Procedure on Bills of Exchange Act" (No. V. of 1866); and the Advocate-General was requested to state, in communication with the Judges of the Small Cause Court, whether there was any objection to extend the Act to that Court. His opinion was unfavorable, but the Judges of the Court appear sufficiently to dispose of all objections. They show that ample safeguards exist against fraud; that the procedure is *less* summary than the ordinary procedure of the Court, and that the English Act on which the Indian enactment is based is administered in all the English County Courts, which are Courts of summary jurisdiction, and with smaller pecuniary limit (£50) than the Presidency Court of Small Causes. His Excellency in Council is satisfied with these explanations, and resolves to extend Act V. of 1866 to the Small Cause Court of Madras accordingly. He observes that it has been extended to various Courts by the Government of India, amongst others to the Deputy Superintendent's Court at Bangalore. From Statement No. 6, appended to the Small Cause Report for 1873, it appears that about 570 suits a-month, on an average, were brought on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes; in fact they are more numerous than any other description of claim.

G.O., 12th August 1872, No 1,093.

Gazette of India, 18th April 1868, p. 683.

9. A third point was noted by the Governor in Council in the order already quoted as doubtless interfering with the full usefulness of the Small Cause Court of Madras, viz., that under the existing law it cannot attach and sell the *immoveable* property of a judgment-debtor. In the Mofussil the law provides that on any Small Cause Court certifying that, after the sale of a debtor's moveable property,

a portion of the judgment debt still remains due, the holder of the decree, on the presentation of such certificate to any Civil Court having general jurisdiction in the place where the immoveable property of the judgment-debtor is situate, may have execution against the same. His Excellency in Council considered on that occasion that it would be very desirable to enact a similar provision in the case of the Small Cause Court at the Presidency. This remark attracted the attention of the Government of India, and on the dates marginally given that Government was informed that a communication would be made to it on the subject. This will now be done in the sense just indicated. It is observed that attention has recently been called to the subject.

Proceedings, 14th August 1873.
" 25th October 1873, No. 1,704.

From Government of India, dated 9th June 1874, No. 746.

10. Another matter, still undisposed of, is the question of the numerous *holidays* taken by the Court. The 46th Rule of Practice provides that "the holidays shall be the same as those observed by the Government Office." Seven days have been removed by the Judges themselves since the subject was last noticed; but it would appear that during 1873 the Court was nevertheless closed for ninety-two days, *exclusive* of the six weeks' adjournment, during which one Judge only takes his seat. The detailed account is as follows:—

	Days.
Sundays	52
New Year's day	6
Ash Wednesday	
Good Friday	
Ascension	
Christmas	
Queen's Birthday	
Scattered Holidays	28
Saturdays during the adjournment	6
Total ...	92

The Governor in Council is of opinion that this list should be strictly revised; and he is pleased to direct, under the powers vested in him for the purpose, that besides Sundays, Christmas day, and Good Friday (which are specially given in the Act), the Native and other holidays to be observed by the Court shall be in all respects, both as to general and special holidays, the same as those observed by the High Court of Judicature.—*Vide* memorandum from the Registrar quoted in G.O., 12th August 1872, No. 1,093.

Section 23, Act IX., 1850.

11. In reviewing the Annual Report for 1871, the Government observed that the number of persons imprisoned by judgment-creditors was 208, many of whom were women—European, East Indian, and Native—the average amount of the debt being 81 Rupees, and the minimum Rupees 2. The differences between the procedure of the Court and that of Act VIII. of 1859 (which regulates the procedure of the ordinary Civil Courts throughout the Presidency) in the matter of execution against the body were pointed out, and it was resolved that applica-

Paragraphs 8 to 11.

tion should be made to the Government of India for sanction to extend to the Court the marginally-noted parts of the Code of Civil Procedure and the amending Act. This sanction, with the exception that the first part only of Section 11 of Act XXIII. of 1861 was allowed, was conveyed under date 7th November 1872, and it is to be regretted that the correspondence has so long been lost sight of. The proclamation will now be made without further delay. The objections of the Judges of the Court do not appear to His Excellency in Council to be of a weighty character. The Insolvent jurisdiction of the High Court could not be set in motion by petty debtors whose liabilities average 80 Rupees, and who are frequently sent to prison from inability to pay down Rupees 2; and His Excellency in Council is satisfied, judging from the small number of contested cases, that the new jurisdiction will not unduly burden the Court. Lastly, the argument that (even with the extension to the Court of Section 20, Act XI. of 1865, by which Small Cause Courts in the mofussil enable judgment-creditors to reach the *immoveable* property of debtors) no debtor who has immoveable property will ever be able to place *all* his property "at the disposal of the Court," is met by the decision to the contrary effect given at page 109, Volume V., Madras High Court Reports. But even without this, as it has been found that insolvent debtors are persons whose liabilities average only 80 Rupees, it is not likely that there will be many cases in which there is any immoveable property to attach.

Act VIII of 1859, Sec 273 and Secs 275 to 282 inclusive.

Act XXIII of 1861, Secs 8 and 11.

NOTIFICATIONS.

Under the power vested in him by Section 8, Act V. of 1866 (*An Act to provide a Summary Procedure on Bills of Exchange, &c.,*) the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to direct that all the provisions in Sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of the said Act, shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply to the Madras Court of Small Causes.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council, with the sanction of the Governor-General of India in Council, hereby declares that the following parts of the Code of Civil Procedure, regarding "*Arrest in Execution of Decrees for Money*," and "*The Execution of Decrees by Imprisonment*," shall be applicable to the Madras Court of Small Causes:—

Act VIII. of 1859, Section 273 and Sections 275 to 282, inclusive.

Act XXIII. of 1861, Section 8, and the first part of Section 11 as far as the words "separate suit."

(By order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Chief Secretary.

RETURN OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1874.

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FROM

THE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
Madras,

To

THE HON. W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George.

SIR,

WE have the honor to forward, herewith, the Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the year ending 31st December 1874.

2. The following Statement A shows the principal operations of the Court during the year as compared with those of the preceding year:—

A.

Year	Number of Suits instituted	Suits over 500 Rs	Amount litigated in Suits instituted.	Amount recovered and paid to Suitors.	Revenue		
					Income.	Expenditure	Net Amount credited to Government
			Rs A. P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P
1873	26,209	180	8,48,780 5 9	1,33,694 10 8	1,05,029 4 8	81,980 1 6	23,049 3 2
1874	*27,480	158	8,44,951 14 0	1,32,357 7 4	1,06,947 1 9	81,550 3 1	25,396 14 8
Increase ..	1,271	..	..	..	1,917 13 1	..	2,347 11 6
Decrease ..	..	22	3,828 7 9	1,237 3 4	..	429 14 5	..

3. There were 30,412 cases set down for hearing; of which 15,814 cases were decided wholly or partly in favor of plaintiffs; 687 cases were decided in favor of defendants; 380 cases were non-suited; 2,780 cases were struck off; 8,346 cases were compromised; and 1,460 cases were pending at the close of the year, which, added to 945 cases instituted in 1874, but made returnable in 1875, make 2,405 cases pending on 1st January 1875, as appears from the following Statement B.

* Includes four cases instituted under Act V of 1866.

B.

Statement showing the Number of Cases set down for hearing during the year 1874, and those made returnable in 1875, and the disposal of such Cases.

		Judgment for Plaintiffs.	Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suit	Struck off and withdrawn.	Compromised.	Undecided		Total.	Instituted in 1874, but made returnable in 1875	Grand Total.
							Partly heard and adjourned.	On account of Summons not being served.			
Cases pending from 1873 ...	2,932	1,530	163	41	493	623	26	56	2,932	...	2,932
Cases instituted in 1874	27,480	14,284	524	339	2,287	7,723	293	1,085	26,535	945	27,480
Total ...	30,412	15,814	687	380	2,780	8,346	319	1,141	29,467	945	30,412

4. There were two suits for more than 1,000 Rupees instituted in this Court, in one of which Rupees 200 and in the other Rupees 142-4-4 were abandoned to bring the cases within this Court's jurisdiction.

5. There were 50 Commissions to take evidence issued to this Court under Section 175 of Act VIII. of 1859 in reference to cases instituted in the Mofussil Courts, under which 57 witnesses were examined.

6. The subjoined Statement C shows at a glance the business connected with the 27,480 suits instituted in 1874, together with the manner in which they were disposed of.

C.

1874.	Cases instituted in 1874.		Total.	Number of Copies of Summonses issued.	Number of Second and Further Summonses issued.	Number of Subpœnas issued.	Attachments.	Warrants.	Judges' Warrants.	Copies of Judgment.	Commitments.	Releases.	Referred to Arbitration.	Warrants to sue and defend filed.		In Person.	Total.
	English.	Native.												By Attorneys.	By Vakeels.		
January	195	1,912	2,107	2,479	781	1,647	...	725	1	11	...	55	12	57	80	1,970	2,107
February	376	1,968	2,344	3,730	515	1,303	...	740	...	12	...	52	7	102	152	2,090	2,344
March	129	2,894	3,023	3,793	487	1,570	...	950	5	9	...	56	11	56	114	2,853	3,023
April	596	1,746	2,342	2,983	631	1,548	...	815	3	8	...	51	7	85	152	2,105	2,342
May	347	2,328	2,675	3,330	685	1,746	...	906	4	5	...	65	14	33	106	2,536	2,675
June	475	2,515	2,990	3,910	1,024	2,052	...	978	...	13	...	70	16	20	57	2,913	2,990
July	402	2,737	3,139	4,056	503	2,200	...	941	...	24	...	71	28	125	159	2,855	3,139
August	209	1,537	1,746	1,977	639	934	...	675	2	12	...	86	10	144	113	1,489	1,746
September	145	869	1,014	1,247	306	518	...	589	2	12	1	45	4	19	54	941	1,014
October	235	1,653	1,888	2,299	469	1,568	...	633	...	2	...	41	5	34	69	1,784	1,887
November	384	2,096	2,480	3,033	658	2,312	...	867	...	9	...	26	22	66	71	2,340	2,477
December	267	1,465	1,732	2,176	683	1,362	...	734	...	5	...	47	17	24	58	1,654	1,736
Total ...	3,760	23,720	27,480	35,013	7,381	18,760	...	9,553	17	122	1	665	153	765	1,185	25,530	27,480
Suits pending from 31st Dec. 1873 ...	...	...	2,932	...	...	..	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grand Total ...	...	...	30,412	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...

C.—(*Continued.*)

1874.	Disposal of Suits instituted in 1874.																									
	Judgment for Plaintiffs.			Judgment for Defendants.	Non-suit.	Struck off.		Compromised.		Withdrawn		Undecided.			Total	Decree passed under Section 53 of Act X. of 1866.	Interpleader Suits.			Motions for new Trial or pursuant to leave reserved.				Motions for Revival of Judgment	Other Motions.
																	Claim allowed.		Claim disallowed.							
	Exparte.	Confession.	Defended.			Unheard.	Partly heard.	Unheard.	Partly heard.	Unheard.	Partly heard.	Cases adjourned to next year.	Second and Further Summonses pending.	Cases instituted in 1874, but returnable in 1875.			In part.	In whole.		Rule refused.	Rule granted.	Rule made absolute.	Rule discharged.		
January	814	181	187	62	34	106	98	515	81	1	1	1	26	...	2,107	...	...	6	3	2	1	1	...	50	10
February	968	267	131	44	32	55	121	580	124	...	1	4	17	...	2,344	...	.	6	2	4	3	..	..	47	31
March	1,103	160	406	67	51	118	146	926	24	...	...	6	16	...	3,023	...	1	5	2	1	5	3	1	51	45
April	874	100	352	51	37	103	113	659	18	1	...	4	30	...	2,342	...	...	5	..	1	..	4	...	76	36
May	1,080	252	244	47	25	87	149	621	119	..	...	8	43	...	2,675	.	...	7	5	4	2	1	...	40	22
June	1,172	327	93	50	37	72	209	790	190	...	...	15	35	...	2 990	1	...	3	1	..	2	4	...	64	48
July	1,020	278	400	49	34	115	184	875	80	...	...	16	88	...	3,139	...	...	12	4	6	2	2	1	60	72
August	712	138	77	39	19	76	97	426	55	...	...	14	93	...	1,746	...	...	8	3	1	...	...	...	36	58
September ...	326	111	117	33	8	62	33	238	14	...	...	25	47	...	1,014	...	...	5	1		...	...	...	2	30
October	619	162	131	46	29	60	64	506	49	..	...	33	189	...	1,888	...	.	2	3	...	...	..	...	23	259
November... ...	699	263	155	30	30	74	77	641	11	2	...	134	350	14	2,480	...	2	11	8	...	...	..	...	59	177
December... ...	239	67	59	6	5	22	37	181	...	1	...	33	150	932	1,732	...	1	8	3	2	3	1	...	35	129
Total ...	9,626	2,306	2,352	524	341	950	1,328	6,958	765	5	2	293	1,084	946	27,480	1	4	78	35	21	18	16	2	543	917
Suits pending from 31st Dec. 1873 ...	374	339	817	163	41	...	490	...	623	...	3	26	56	...	2,932	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..
Grand Total ...	10,000	2,645	3,169	687	382	950	1,818	6,958	1,388	5	5	319	1,140	946	30,412	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

T. M. BUSTEED,
C. RUNGANADA SHASTRY,
T. MUTUSAWMI IYER,
} *Judges.*

No. 1.

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-fourth year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1874.

Months.	1			2	3	4	5			6			7														
	Number of Suits instituted.			The English Cases bear to the Native Cases the Ratio of.	Number of Days on which the Court was opened.	Average Number of Suits instituted daily.	Amount litigated in Suits instituted.			Value of Suits instituted and disposed of in 1874.			Graduated Digest of Costs received in Stamps on institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases.														
	English.	Native.	Total.										Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees.		
1874.							Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January ...	195	1,912	2,107	9·805	21	100·3	67,114	2	7	65,622	2	11	869	3	0	842	13	0	1,622	6	0	1,545	1	0	1,667	9	0
February ...	376	1,968	2,344	5·234	21	111·619	68,113	2	1	66,175	6	6	928	4	0	982	4	0	1,864	13	0	1,645	2	0	2,043	13	0
March	129	2,894	3,023	22·434	25	120·92	87,661	11	2	85,632	5	11	1,181	8	0	1,302	9	0	2,458	6	0	2,100	0	0	2,420	15	0
April	596	1,746	2,342	2·929	21	111·523	69,348	6	1	65,998	3	6	946	10	0	902	2	0	2,128	7	0	1,636	15	0	1,734	9	0
May	347	2,328	2,675	6·708	·24	111·458	78,662	14	0	74,528	14	2	1,095	7	0	1,024	3	0	2,306	15	0	2,047	12	0	1,817	12	0
June	475	2,515	2,990	5·294	26	115	87,005	12	0	84,528	0	3	1,251	1	0	1,204	12	0	2,384	3	0	2,314	14	0	1,709	14	0
July	402	2,737	3,139	6·808	27	116·259	1,01,348	1	3	97,350	10	4	1,228	15	0	1,231	13	0	2,844	13	0	2,391	8	0	2,507	2	0
August	209	1,537	1,746	7·354	23	75·913	60,066	0	4	56,098	0	6	672	12	0	730	2	0	1,576	14	0	1,300	7	0	1,573	9	0
September ...	145	869	1,014	5·993	21	48·285	37,371	1	9	32,555	14	10	372	9	0	460	13	0	859	14	0	892	15	0	897	6	0
October ...	235	1,653	1,888	7·034	22	85·818	62,291	14	10	51,380	14	2	743	15	0	806	5	0	1,657	10	0	1,694	8	0	1,438	6	0
November ...	384	2,096	2,480	5·458	25	99·2	74,866	7	2	53,022	3	3	1,019	6	0	1,078	5	0	2,088	6	0	1,716	15	0	2,181	5	6
December ...	267	1,465	1,732	5·486	17	101·882	51,102	4	9	15,855	4	4	702	4	0	709	3	0	1,389	14	0	1,225	3	0	1,319	14	0
Total ...	3,760	23,720	27,480	6·308	273	100·659	8,44,951	14	0	7,48,808	0	8	11,011	14	0	11,275	4	0	23,182	9	0	20,511	4	0	21,312	2	6

No. 1.—(*Continued.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-fourth year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1874.

Months.	7.—(*Continued.*) Graduated Digest of Costs received in Stamps on Institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases.																							
	Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 800 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rupees.			Total.		
1874.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	928	7	0	402	7	6	203	0	6	462	14	6	407	4	0	255	3	0	...	...	...	85	12	6	9,292	1	0
February	1,043	13	6	441	8	0	141	9	6	64	8	0	292	1	0	122	4	6	68	11	6	...	...	...	9,641	12	0
March	1,292	8	0	663	7	0	234	5	6	218	7	0	209	9	6	67	7	6	152	12	6	149	10	0	12,451	9	0
April	737	8	0	463	14	0	274	13	0	508	1	6	130	8	0	76	9	0	73	2	6	83	13	0	9,697	0	0
May	1,077	10	0	615	1	0	354	14	6	214	9	6	5	0	0	187	6	6	148	10	6	152	5	0	11,077	10	0
June	1,276	9	0	1,039	11	6	464	7	6	236	14	0	56	12	6	124	7	0	74	12	0	154	10	0	12,292	15	6
July	1,171	8	0	781	6	0	574	12	6	564	4	6	234	9	0	133	12	0	150	8	6	231	11	0	14,046	10	6
August	657	0	6	499	9	6	309	3	6	237	12	0	114	4	6	67	8	0	212	1	6	236	9	0	8,187	12	6
September	414	9	6	334	0	0	188	8	0	101	12	0	55	0	0	60	9	0	71	12	0	237	4	0	4,946	15	6
October	778	14	0	353	10	0	281	5	0	256	8	6	242	6	0	59	10	0	301	7	0	82	14	0	8,697	6	6
November	815	15	0	461	10	6	480	12	6	224	15	6	113	12	0	261	5	0	73	8	6	84	0	6	10,600	5	0
December	566	1	6	250	1	6	296	7	0	113	14	0	375	14	0	50	12	0	235	6	0	81	8	0	7,316	6	6
Total ...	10,763	8	0	6,306	6	6	3,804	3	0	3,204	9	0	2,237	0	6	1,466	13	6	1,562	12	6	1,610	1	0	1,18,248	7	6

No. 1.—(*Continued.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-fourth Year of the institution, viz., from January to December 1874.

Months.	8 — Graduated Digest of Cases instituted during the year.														9 — Amount of Fees credited to Government during the year 1874.					
	Not above Rs. 10.	Above Rs 10, not above Rs. 20.	Above Rs 20, not above Rs. 50.	Above Rs 50, not above Rs. 100.	Above Rs 100, not above Rs 200.	Above Rs. 200, not above Rs. 300.	Above Rs. 300, not above Rs 400	Above Rs 400, not above Rs 500.	Above Rs. 500, not above Rs. 600.	Above Rs 600, not above Rs. 700	Above Rs 700, not above Rs. 800	Above Rs 800, not above Rs. 900.	Above Rs 900, not above Rs 1,000.	Total.	Fees received in Stamps on institution of Summonses.			Fees received in Stamps on Second and Further Summonses.		
1874.															Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	1,152	367	310	133	82	29	10	4	8	9	2	...	1	2,107	8,516	5	0	208	6	0
February... ...	1,232	432	376	152	97	32	11	3	1	5	2	1	...	2,344	9,012	2	0	202	12	0
March	1,574	573	488	196	121	39	16	5	3	3	1	2	2	3,023	11,579	11	0	281	6	0
April	1,233	393	427	149	84	23	12	6	10	2	1	1	1	2,342	9,029	2	0	146	8	0
May	1,408	450	471	186	90	35	16	8	4	...	3	2	2	2,675	10,356	0	0	193	0	0
June	1,624	518	469	210	83	40	26	10	4	1	2	1	2	2,990	11,387	13	6	255	8	0
July	1,628	529	559	215	117	37	21	11	11	3	3	2	3	3,139	13,017	14	6	330	4	0
August	867	321	303	122	79	21	13	7	4	2	1	3	3	1,746	7,646	3	6	219	9	0
September ...	474	207	172	84	43	13	9	4	2	1	1	1	3	1,014	4,713	5	6	104	6	0
October	940	342	328	155	71	23	9	5	5	4	1	4	1	1,888	8,024	5	6	151	15	0
November ...	1,299	456	410	151	105	25	12	10	4	3	3	1	1	2,480	9,746	11	0	307	14	0
December ...	944	304	275	106	62	17	6	6	2	6	...	3	1	1,732	6,573	4	0	260	10	0
Total ..	14,375	4,892	4,588	1,859	1,034	334	161	79	58	39	20	21	20	27,480	1,09,602	13	6	2,662	2	0

No. 1.—(*Continued.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-fourth Year of the institution, viz., from January to December 1874.

Months.	9.—(*Continued.*) Amount of Fees credited to Government during the year 1874.																				
	Fees received in Stamps on Subpœnas.			Fees received in Stamps on Warrants, Notices, and Interpleader Summonses, &c.			Fees realized in Pauper Suits.			Fees on Copies of Judgment.			Value of Stamps affixed to Powers of Attorneys for drawing Money out of the Court.			Total Gross Amount.			Amount of Half Cost refunded.		
1874.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	567	6	0	580	6	6	35	3	6	10	0	0	17	0	0	9,934	10	6	1,842	0	9
February	426	14	0	503	7	6	...	...	...	10	0	0	10	0	0	10,165	3	6	1,378	12	6
March	590	8	0	634	8	0	...	...	...	7	0	0	26	0	0	13,119	1	0	1,650	14	6
April	521	6	0	440	9	0	...	...	...	6	8	0	18	0	0	10,162	1	0	1,850	10	0
May	528	10	0	495	7	6	...	...	...	4	0	0	10	0	0	11,587	1	0	1,619	1	6
June	649	10	0	653	2	0	...	...	...	10	0	0	11	0	0	12,967	1	6	1,789	15	6
July	698	8	0	694	11	0	...	...	...	19	8	0	12	0	0	14,772	13	6	2,113	4	3
August	322	0	0	620	15	6	...	...	...	9	8	0	17	0	0	8,835	4	0	1,651	4	0
September	129	4	0	433	8	0	...	...	...	10	8	0	5	0	0	5,395	15	6	769	9	6
October	521	2	0	457	7	0	...	...	...	1	8	0	11	0	0	9,167	5	6	1,089	9	3
November	545	12	0	589	9	0	...	...	...	7	0	0	10	0	0	11,206	14	0	1,638	5	3
December	482	8	0	439	7	0	...	...	...	4	8	0	12	0	0	7,772	5	0	1,057	15	6
Total ...	5,983	8	0	6,543	1	0	35	3	6	100	0	0	159	0	0	1,25,085	12	0	18,451	6	6

No. 1.—(*Continued.*)

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-fourth Year of the institution, viz., from January to December 1874.

Months.	9.—(*Continued.*) Amount of Fees credited to Government during the year 1874. Net Amount carried by means of Stamps to the credit of Government.			10 Amount of Fines.			11 Unclaimed Deposits for the year 1867.			12 Stamp Duty and Penalty levied.			13 Excess of Fees on Summonses, Second and Further Summonses, Subpœnas, Warrants, &c.		
1874.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January	8,092	9	9	...	...	..	...	..	..	39	0	0	0	10	0
February	8,786	7	0	...	...	...	...	.	.	42	6	0	0	8	0
March	11,468	2	6	...	..	...	312	12	3	18	12	0	1	9	0
April	8,311	7	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	8	0	1	2	6
May	9,967	15	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	2	0	3	15	6
June	11,177	2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	2	0	1	0	6
July	12,659	9	3	...	...	...	...	...	..	18	12	0	1	7	0
August	7,184	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	10	0	0	1	6
September...	4,626	6	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
October	8,077	12	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	4	0	1	6	0
November	9,568	8	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	12	0	2	10	6
December	6,714	5	6	...	..	...	...	..	...	72	3	0	0	6	0
Total ...	1,06,634	5	6	...	..	...	312	12	3	299	7	0	14	12	6

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1874 the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays ... ... 52 days.
New Year's Day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Ascension Day, Her Majesty's Birthday, and Christmas Day ... ... 6 ,,
Hindu and other holidays scattered throughout the year and Saturdays during the adjournment... ... ... 34 ,,

Total ... 92 ,,
The Court sat ... 273 ,,

Total ... 365 ,,

During the adjournment one Judge sat every day (except Saturdays, Sundays, and authorized holidays), and disposed of a certain number of cases.

Madras Court of Small Causes,
12*th April* 1875.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 2

Comparative Table of Cases heard and decided from January to December 1873 *and from January to December* 1874.

	January		February		March.		April		May		June.		July		August		September		October		November		December		Total.	
	1873	1874.	1873	1874.	1873	1874	1873.	1874.	1873	1874.	1873	1874	1873	1874.	1873	1874.	1873	1874.	1873	1874.	1873	1874.	1873	1874.	1873	1874.
Judgment for Plaintiff	2,014	1,379	1,466	1,143	1,389	1,483	1,177	1,420	1,516	1,646	1,235	1,606	1,451	1,744	844	1,019	563	420	1,039	1,127	1,316	1,592	276	1,235	14,283	15,814
Judgment for Defendant	89	69	56	49	82	74	54	64	62	47	70	47	66	85	52	39	26	11	29	67	39	79	13	56	638	687
Non suit and struck off.	478	475	321	349	282	339	242	231	280	275	268	331	339	329	164	205	121	101	141	153	229	200	34	122	2,899	3,160
Compromised	1,068	727	864	591	842	780	709	810	789	760	775	801	875	1,037	446	556	312	223	600	571	778	671	181	619	8,259	8,346
Undecided	6	28	12	22	10	22	50	35	57	54	78	56	107	106	124	115	99	74	269	225	534	516	1,586	1,152	2,932	2,405
Total	3,675	2,678	2,719	2,154	2,605	2,698	2,232	2,610	2,704	2,782	2,423	2,841	2,838	3,301	1,630	1,934	1,121	829	2,078	2,143	2,896	3,258	2,090	3,184	29,011	30,412

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12th April 1875.

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No 3

Statement showing the Number of Causes remaining undecided on 31st December 1874

Number of cases postponed	for want of service	27
Do	for plaintiffs or defendants, or for parties' witnesses	27
Do.	for attendance of plaintiffs or defendants	44
Do	at the request of plaintiffs or defendants, or for both parties ...	22
Do	by order of Court	199
	Total	319

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12th April 1875

(Signed) J M MASKELL
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 4

Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized in Stamps from January 1873 to December 1874, prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court.

Months	1873			1874.			Total Increase of Fees in 1874.			Total Decrease of Fees in 1874.			Remarks.
	On account of Fees received on the Institution and Prosecution of Suits			On account of Fees received on the Institution and Prosecution of Suits.									
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
January	8,336	8	6	8,092	9	9	...	...	...	243	14	9	
February	8,233	3	9	8,786	7	0	553	3	3	...	...	...	
March	9,023	0	3	11,468	2	6	2,445	2	3	...	...	...	
April	8,316	2	0	8,311	7	0	...	...	...	4	11	0	
May	9,624	5	0	9,967	15	6	343	10	6	...	...	...	
June	9,519	5	9	11,177	2	0	1,657	12	3	...	...	...	
July	10,566	14	6	12,659	9	3	2,092	10	9	...	...	...	
August	6,085	6	0	7,184	0	0	1,098	10	0	...	...	...	
September	5,480	13	3	4,626	6	0	...	...	...	854	7	3	
October	9,539	4	3	8,077	12	3	...	...	...	1,461	8	0	
November	11,480	14	0	9,568	8	9	...	...	...	1,912	5	3	
December	8,352	2	0	6,714	5	6	...	...	...	1,637	12	6	
Total ...	1,04,557	15	3	1,06,634	5	6	8,191	1	0	6,114	10	9	

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12th *April* 1875.

(Signed) J M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 5

Abstract Statement of Sums received and paid to Plaintiffs, &c, on account of their Demands from January to December 1874.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A	P.		Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance in cash Rupees 5,454-11-3	...	...	...	22,837	15	1							
Amount of Government Securities Rupees 17,383-3-10													
By cash received on causes decreed in January 1874 ...	13,325	7	6				To cash paid to plaintiffs, &c, for causes decreed in January 1874	12,366	8	5			
Do. do. February „ ..	10,786	14	9				Do. do. February „ ...	10,134	1	7			
Do do March „ ...	14,742	3	4				Do do March „ ...	15,112	2	6			
Do. do April „ ...	10,774	15	10				Do do April „ ...	11,630	8	9			
Do. do. May „ ...	11,170	2	1				Do do. May „ ...	9,804	14	2			
Do do June „ ...	15,907	12	9				Do. do. June „ ...	14,779	9	0			
Do do. July „ ...	13,677	0	4				Do. do. July „ ...	12,469	3	10			
Do. do. August „ ...	13,740	10	0				Do. do. August „ ...	12,279	15	3			
Do. do. September „ ...	5,933	6	10				Do do September „ ...	7,433	15	5			
Do do. October „ ...	5,767	0	0				Do. do. October „ ...	6,277	10	8			
Do. do November „ ...	10,077	4	3				Do. do. November „ ...	10,510	6	6			
Do do December „ ...	8,259	5	0				Do. do. December „ ...	9,558	7	3			
				1,34,162	2	8					1,32,357	7	4
							Balance on hand	...	...	...	24,642	10	5
Total ...	...	...	...	1,57,000	1	9	Total ..	...	...	...	1,57,000	1	9

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12th April 1875.

(Signed) J M. MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No 6

Abstract of the Particulars of Demand from January to December 1874.

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered.	Other Goods sold and delivered.	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.	Wages.	Work and Labor	Work and Labor and Materials	For Money paid.	For Money lent.	For Money had and received	On Account stated.	For Use and Occupation	On Judgment.	Guarantee.	Partnership Balance	Other Actions in Assumpsit.	Trover.	Case.	Trespass	Assault	Damage.	Interpleader.	Recovery of Small Tenements.	Ejectments.	Against Executors	Covenant.	Total.
1874																										
January	202	547	428	29	21	16	40	123	13	253	217	2	19	3	143	24	...	1	...	2	9	...	6	..	18	2,116
February	122	549	566	53	33	2	79	145	15	228	179	3	23	4	254	56	...	...	1	6	8	...	10	...	16	2,352
March	153	693	868	37	25	8	74	232	11	449	283	2	31	1	46	74	...	...		10	8	..	8	...	18	3,031
April	138	362	576	96	8	3	98	199	18	260	167	3	29	...	312	38	...	...	3	3	5	...	19	...	10	2,347
May	236	607	705	40	38	8	70	208	11	298	229	11	35	1	98	52	...	1	...	6	12	...	16	...	5	2,687
June	233	644	769	41	5	...	59	211	19	371	366	4	22	2	165	50	...	...	1	2	4	...	25	1	1	2,995
July	295	523	745	54	23	3	56	253	28	354	300	10	28	3	337	72	...	..	...	11	16	...	25	...	19	3,155
August	158	461	587	29	10	1	38	120	6	158	79	...	17	...	18	24	..	1	...	4	11	...	20	...	15	1,757
September	42	219	290	29	13	1	28	71	3	104	107	1	10	...	58	31	...	...	..	2	6	...	4	...	1	1,020
October	113	402	561	43	21	...	33	146	4	195	155	1	16	1	128	49	...		1	4	5	...	15	...	...	1,893
November	204	293	625	33	19	9	50	259	13	289	293	7	30	3	246	75	...	7	...	3	21	...	17	...	5	2,501
December	137	411	511	38	14		34	114	9	156	160	7	13	...	83	29	...	3	...	2	12	...	10	...	1	1,744
Total ..	2,033	5,711	7,231	522	230	51	659	2,081	150	3,115	2,535	51	278	18	1,888	574	...	13	6	55	117	...	175	1	109	27,598

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12*th April* 1875.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 7

Statement showing the Monthly Salaries of the three Judges and of the Establishment

	Rs	A.	P.
First Judge	2,000	0	0
Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each	2,000	0	0
Clerk and Assistant Clerk...	800	0	0
Establishment	2,123	0	0
Total ...	6,923	0	0

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12*th April* 1875

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 8.

Statement showing the Number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the Amount of Fees realized thereon, including Fine and Unclaimed Deposit, during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, and 1874, *together with the Progressive Increase and Decrease in each year.*

Years.	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each year.	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each year.			Decrease of Fees in each year.		
				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.
1851 ...	23,668	...	...	37,417	7	0	...	.	..	...	...	.
1852 ...	24,392	724	...	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	...	.	...
1853 ...	25,192	800	...	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	...	...	.
1854 ...	26,483	1,291	...	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	...	...	...
1855 ...	26,199	...	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	...	..	..
1856 ...	22,869	...	3,330	43,682	14	6	...	...	...	8,071	13	6
1857 ...	17,674	...	5,190	36,909	10	6	...	..	..	6,773	4	0
1858 ...	18,020	346	...	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	...	...	.
1859 ...	18,374	354	...	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	...	...	...
1860 ...	19,778	1,104	...	63,292	8	3	8,694	6	3	...	...	...
1861 ...	23,054	3,276	...	91,048	1	6	27,758	9	3	...	..	.
1862 ...	22,345	...	709	76,122	0	10	...	...	...	14,926	0	8
1863 ...	19,940	...	2,405	69,364	6	10	...	...	..	6,757	10	0
1864 ...	20,781	841	...	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	...	...	.
1865 ...	20,375	...	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	...	...	...
1866 ...	21,191	816	...	96,277	15	0	15,584	8	10	...	..	...
1867 ...	19,004	...	2,187	91,467	13	11	...	...	..	4,810	1	1
1868 ...	20,134	1,130	...	90,386	6	8	...	...	...	1,081	7	3
1869 ...	20,674	540	...	85,886	14	11	...	...	...	4,499	7	9
1870 ...	24,071	3,397	...	98,564	5	0	12,667	6	1	...	...	...
1871 ...	24,784	713	...	97,508	14	5	...	...	.	1,055	6	7
1872 ...	24,506	..	278	90,902	11	3	...	...	.	6,606	3	1
1873 ...	26,209	1,703	...	1,05,029	4	8	14,125	9	5	...	...	...
1874 ...	27,480	1,271	...	1,06,947	1	9	1,917	13	1	...	..	..

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12*th April* 1875.

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Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 9.

Statement showing the Number and Nature of Civil Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1874. (*Table* 2, *Appendix II.A*, *Judicial.*)

Nature of Claims.		Number of Cases.
Money due on contract ...	On written promise for sum certain	7,391
	On unwritten promise for sum certain	2,982
	On account stated	3,115
	Money paid or received	2,890
	For goods sold and delivered	7,744
Rent		2,535
Recovery of personal property or value thereof		574
Damages	For injuries to person	6
	For injuries to property	17
	For defamation	2
	For other injuries not included in the above	13
	For breach of contract not included in the above ...	86
Suits relating to mortgage of immoveable property		27
Suits for or relating to the real property not included in the above		148
	Total ...	27,480

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12*th April* 1875.

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No. 10

Statement showing the Number and Value of Suits disposed of in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1874. (*Table No.* 3, *Appendix II.A., Judicial.*)

—	Number.	Value.
		Rs. A. P.
Not exceeding Rupees 5	9,029	25,410 0 5
Do. do. 20	10,609	1,14,525 7 8
Do. do 100	6,593	2,81,145 11 1
Do. do. 500	1,620	3,22,382 3 11
Do. do. 1,000	156	1,06,399 0 0
Total ...	28,007	8,49,862 7 1

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12th April 1875.

(Signed) J M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 11.

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Suits in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1874. (*Table No.* 4, *Appendix II.A., Judicial.*)

Suits remaining from 1873.	Filed in 1874.	Received by Transfer.	Total for Disposal.	Transferred to other Courts.	Plaint rejected or returned.	Uncontested.						Contested.			Disposed of.	Pending.	Pending			Average Duration of Suits.		Referred to Arbitration.
						Dismissed for Default.	Withdrawn with Leave.	Compromised.	Decreed on Confession.	Judgment *ex parte.*		Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suit.			Over two Months.	Over four Months.	Over twelve Months.	Contested.	Uncontested.	
										Decreed *ex parte.*	Dismissed *ex parte.*											
2,932	27,480	...	30,412	...	...	2,768	10	8,346	2,645	10,000	2	3,169	687	380	28,007	2,405	1,907	416	82	36	13	153

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12th April 1875.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 12

Statement showing the Number of Suits pending in the Madras Court of Small Causes classified according to the years in which they were instituted. (Table No 6, Appendix II A, Judicial)

Years in which instituted						Total	Remarks
In 1869	In 1870	In 1871	In 1872	In 1873	In 1874		
Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	Original	
...	...	...	8	74	2,323	2,405	

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12th April 1875

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 13.

Statement showing the Execution of Decrees in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1874. (Table No. 7, Appendix II A, Judicial)

Application to execute Decrees.				Decrees		Pending at the end of 1874	Nature and Number of Coercive Processes issued.					Orders under Section 243 of the Civil Procedure Code
							Imprisonment of Persons.	Moveable Property		Immoveable Property		
Pending from 1873	Filed in 1874.	Received by Transfer	Total for Disposal	Completely executed	Partly executed			Attached.	Sold	Attached.	Sold	
771	7,464	...	8,235	7,070	329	836	660	764	336	...	..	..

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12th April 1875

(Signed) J. M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read Annual Report of the Judges of the Small Cause Court, Madras :—

(Here enter 12th April 1875, No. 112.)

ORDER THEREON, 15th July 1875, No. 1,554.

The number of suits filed in 1874 exceeds considerably that of the two hig hest years on record. It is observed that the more expensive scale of fees sanctioned for the Original Side of the High Court came into force in October only; and it is yet too soon to know whether it has the effect of forcing Small Cause suits before the proper tribunal. It should be stated next year how many parties suing on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes availed themselves of the Summary Procedure Act (No. V. of 1866), the provisions of which were declared applicable to the Small Cause Court by G.O., 19th August last.

A.D	No.
1873	26,209
1854	26,483
1874	27,480

2. While the suits filed in 1874 exceeded by 1,271 those filed in 1873, the amount litigated* was about 4,000 Rupees less. The income of the Court came to Rupees 1,06,947-1-9; and the net amount credited to Government was Rupees 25,396-14-8, showing an increase of Rupees 2,347-11-6 over 1873.

A D	RS.	A.	P.
* 1873	8,48,780	5	9
1874	8,44,951	14	0

3. Out of the 27,480 suits filed, no less than 23,855 were within the Small Cause jurisdiction (Rupees 50) of a District Munsif; and considerably more than a moiety of the total filed comes within the jurisdiction (Rupees 10) of a Village Munsif:—as under;

	Suits.	
Not above Rupees 5	9,029	14,375
Between Rupees 5 and Rupees 10	5,346	
Do. ,, 10 and ,, 20		4,892
Do. ,, 20 and ,, 50		4,588
Total not above 50 Rupees .		23,855

4. Including 2,932 suits pending from 1873, the total number for disposal in the year under review was 30,412. Of these, 2,405 are pending, including 153 under reference to arbitrators. The remaining 28,009 were disposed of in the following manner:—

Dismissed for default	2,768†
Withdrawn	10‡
Compromised	8,346§
Decreed, *ex parte*	10,000
Dismissed, *ex parte*	2
Decreed on confession	2,645
Grand Total, uncontested ...	23,771

† Partly heard, 1,818 ‡ Partly heard, 5. § Partly heard, 1,386.

Out of the remainder, being 4,236 contested suits, the defendants obtained judgments in 687 cases; plaintiffs in 3,169 cases, while the rest, 380, were non-suits. It should be mentioned in future Reports how many judgments in contested cases are passed on the awards of arbitrators. It is observed that the average duration of a contested suit is thirty-six days; of an uncontested one, thirteen days. The number of contested suits is remarkably below the number for 1873, where it stood at 5,876. The decrease for 1874 under this head is, therefore, no less than 1,640 suits.

5. A notification dated 19th August last made applicable to the Small Cause Court the sections of the Code of Civil Procedure which relate to "Arrest in Execution of Decrees for Money" and "The Execution of Decrees by Imprisonment." The total number of persons imprisoned in 1874 was 660, but 109 only were imprisoned from the date of the notification to the end of the year. Of these, forty, on being arrested, applied for their discharge on the ground that they had no property or were ready to place what they had at the disposal of the judgment-creditor. Apparently in *one* case only was the Court satisfied of the *bonâ fides* of the application. A similar Return should be given each year; the average amount of debt due by each person imprisoned and the average term of incarceration undergone by parties discharged after imprisonment should be stated. It is remarked that, failing to procure his discharge by a compromise with his detaining creditor in the interval, no person can be kept in prison for more than three months if the decree be for the payment of money not exceeding 50 Rupees. The average amount of the sums decreed in all suits, (2) in suits where coercive process of any kind is issued in execution, as well as where imprisonment is enforced, should be entered. The headings of the information to be submitted will be: (1) Average sum decreed. (2) Average sum for which any coercive process was issued. (3) Number of persons arrested and for what average sum. (4) Number of arrested persons brought before Court. (5) Number claiming discharge under Section 273, Code of Civil Procedure. (6) Number discharged under Section 8, Amending Act. (7) Number of applications for discharge by persons imprisoned, Section 280, Code of Civil Procedure. (8) Number of discharges ordered. (9) Number of recommittals for fraud. (10) Number of persons absolved from further liability, Section 282, Code of Civil Procedure.

6. It having been frequently stated that many Small Cause suits were taken into the High Court, owing to the absence of any provision by which the Madras Court of Small Causes can reach the *immoveable* property of the debtor, application was made to the Government of India to legislate on the subject. The reply given has lately been communicated to the Judges: it states that the matter will lie over till the question of a revised Small Cause Court Act is taken up. Meanwhile it is open to the Judges to suggest any changes which can usefully be made by the application to their Court of any sections of the Code of Civil Procedure; for which purpose legislation is not required.

Letter to Government of India, 5th September 1874, No 1,654.
G O., 18th May 1875, No 1,159.

7. Full particulars of the operation of the new Distress Act (No. I. of 1875) should be given in the Report for the current year and for the future.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Officiating Chief Secretary.

RETURN OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1875.

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MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
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No. 87.

From

THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

To

THE HONORABLE W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George.

SIR,

WE have the honor to send, herewith, for submission to His Grace the Governor in Council, the Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the business of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the year ending 31st December 1875.

2. The number of cases instituted during the year was 26,355 against 27,480 in the preceding year.

3. The receipts on account of fees, fines, and unclaimed deposits amounted to Rupees 1,01,749-3-1 against Rupees 1,06,947-1-9 in 1874. The cost of the establishment, including the salaries of the Judges and contingent charges, amounted to Rupees 82,988-5-7, and the balance to the credit of Government was Rupees 18,760-13-6.

4. The following Table A contains the number of cases set down for hearing during 1875 and those made returnable in 1876, and the disposal of such cases :—

A.

—		Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suit.	Struck off and withdrawn.	Compromised.	Undecided.		Total.	Instituted in 1875, but made returnable in 1876.	Grand Total.
							Partly heard and adjourned.	On account of Summons not being served.			
Cases pending from 1874 ..	2,405	1,185	155	45	501	437	21	61	2,405	..	2,405
Cases instituted in 1875 ..	26,355	13,032	534	314	2,080	7,398	338	903	24,599	1,756	26,355
Cases under Act V. of 1866 ..	34	15	1	..	..	8	3	..	27	7	34
Total ..	28,794	14,232	690	359	2,581	7,843	362	964	27,031	1,763	28,794

5. Under the summary procedure on Bills of Exchange Act there were thirty-four suits filed during the year, in twelve of which the sums claimed exceeded 500 Rupees, and in two cases, the claim being for more than 1,000 Rupees, the plaintiffs abandoned Rupees 31-2-2 and Rupees 320-1-1 respectively.

6. In one case for damages the sum of Rupees 215-5-6 was abandoned to bring the case within the jurisdiction of this Court.

7. The Statement B shows at a glance the business connected with the 26,355 suits instituted in 1875.

B.

1875.	Cases instituted in 1875.			Number of Copies of Summonses issued.	Number of Copies of Second and Further Summonses issued.	Number of Copies of Subpœnas issued.	Attachments.	Number of Copies of Warrants issued against Judgment Debtors and their goods.	Number of Judges' Warrants under Section 50, Act IX. of 1850.	Number of Copies of Judgment sent to Mofussil Courts for execution and granted to parties for production as evidence in other Courts	Number of Commitments under Section 50 of Act IX. of 1850.	Number of Orders to Jailor to release Prisoners.	Number of Suits referred to arbitration under Section 40 of Act IX. of 1850.	Warrants to sue and defend filed			Total.
	English.	Native.	Total.											By Attorneys.	By Vakils.	In Person.	
January	270	1,973	2,243	2,795	949	1,710	..	835	1	6	..	4	10	68	80	2,095	2,243
February	304	1,956	2,260	2,762	743	1,772	..	914	5	10	2	5	17	60	100	2,100	2,260
March	313	2,067	2,380	2,797	818	1,656	..	815	..	6	..	5	10	59	135	2,186	2,380
April	298	1,991	2,289	2,822	847	1,766	..	902	1	11	..	5	9	89	135	2,065	2,289
May	117	863	980	1,233	344	654	..	528	2	1	1	7	6	14	50	916	980
June	204	1,449	1,653	2,024	409	1,150	..	631	3	5	..	8	4	30	80	1,543	1,653
July	339	2,590	2,929	3,625	330	2,131	..	1,043	2	15	..	6	14	101	177	2,651	2,929
August	326	2,118	2,444	3,055	815	2,133	..	973	..	15	..	3	10	67	139	2,238	2,444
September	218	2,085	2,303	2,820	790	1,834	..	924	1	17	1	9	12	58	158	2,087	2,303
October	266	2,108	2,374	2,880	892	2,166	..	941	1	8	1	9	13	51	162	2,161	2,374
November	358	2,601	2,959	3,722	810	2,196	..	1,059	1	19	..	12	16	36	143	2,780	2,959
December	212	1,329	1,541	1,889	497	1,074	..	656	..	4	..	8	10	1	3	1,537	1,541
Total ..	3,225	23,130	26,355	34,424	8,244	20,242	..	10,221	17	117	5	81	131	634	1,362	24,359	26,355
Cases under Act V. of 1866 ..	11	23	34	57	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	7	9	34
Suits pending from 31st December 1874	..	..	2,405	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	3,236	23,153	28,794	34,481	8,244	20,242	..	10,221	17	117	5	81	131	652	1,369	24,368	26,389

B—(*Continued*).

1875.	Judgment for Plaintiff						Judgment for Defendant			Struck off		Compromised		Withdrawn		Undecided				Interpleader Suits			Motions for new Trial or pursuant to leave reserved.				Motions for Revival of Judgments	Other Motions
	Ex parte		Confession.																									
	Unheard	Partly heard	Unheard	Partly heard	Defended	On award of Arbitrators	Defended	On award of Arbitrators.	Non-suit	Unheard	Partly heard	Unheard	Partly heard	Unheard	Partly heard.	Number of Cases adjourned to next year	Number of Second and Further Summonses pending	Number of Cases instituted in 1875, but made returnable in 1876	Total	Claim allowed	Claim disallowed	Claim partly allowed.	Rule refused	Rule granted.	Rule made absolute	Rule discharged		
January	758	2	265	2	224	3	58	2	26	215	11	654	10	..	..	6	7	..	2,243	14	5	3	3	2	2	1	32	175
February	753	25	221	9	218	..	58	1	39	172	24	700	20	..	2	4	14	..	2,260	10	5	1	3	..	..	1	39	255
March	857	.	226	2	221	4	52	3	39	183	25	745	..	..	1	3	19	..	2,380	7	5	1	2	1	..	1	84	188
April	792	4	177	..	270	1	58	..	34	231	14	644	12	..	..	23	29	..	2,289	15	3	1	3	4	..	..	64	201
May	293	7	94	2	134	2	22	..	10	128	10	250	4	..	..	7	17	..	980	5	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	193
June	556	..	170	..	180	..	41	..	18	170	..	493	..	..	..	8	17	..	1,653	10	2	2	3	..	..	..	42	138
July	998	16	250	5	319	1	58	..	38	192	30	930	15	..	..	25	52	..	2,929	9	1	2	6	4	2	2	138	198
August	815	4	199	..	276	..	50	..	27	179	22	783	3	..	..	17	69	..	2,444	4	6	1	11	3	2	..	146	359
September	779	2	168	3	243	1	45	..	32	153	12	713	1	..	..	36	115	..	2,303	11	2	1	4	2	1	2	110	387
October	770	.	182	..	218	..	48	..	30	155	7	706	..	..	..	68	190	..	2,374	6	2	1	12	2	1	..	145	276
November	798	..	193	..	188	..	32	..	16	133	..	636	.	1	..	125	308	529	2,959	13	3	3	7	6	3	2	140	243
December	91	..	20	..	21	..	6	..	5	9	..	79	..	1	..	16	66	1,227	1,541	3	1	..	1	3	2	1	69	160
Total .	8,260	60	2,165	23	2,512	12	528	6	314	1,920	155	7,333	65	2	3	338	903	1,756	26,355	107	38	16	55	27	13	10	1,012	2,773
Cases under Act V of 1866	11	..	2	..	2	..	1	.	..	..	..	8	.	..	..	3	..	7	34	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Suits pending from 31st Dec. 1874	459		190		530	6	154	1	45	495	5	437		1	..	21	61	.	2,405	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	8,730	60	2,357	23	3,044	18	683	7	359	2,415	160	7,778	65	3	3	362	964	1,763	28,794	.	.	.	..	..	..	.	..	..

8. There were eighteen applications for distress-warrants filed between July and December 1875. Two of these applications were refused, and in sixteen warrants were issued, and their results are given in Statement No. 14.

9. Statement No. 15 shows the number of applications for discharge made under Section 273, Act VIII. of 1859, and the manner in which those applications were disposed of, and gives other information in connection therewith.

10. There were 64 Commissions to take evidence issued to this Court under Section 175, Act VIII. of 1859, in reference to cases instituted in the Mofussil Courts, under which 73 witnesses were examined.

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

T. M. BUSTEED,
C. RUNGANADA SHASTRY,
T. MUTUSAWMI IYER,
} *Judges.*

No. 1.

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-fifth year of its institution, viz, from January to December 1875.

Months	1			2	3	4	5			6			7					
	Number of Suits instituted			The English Cases bear to the Native Cases the Ratio of	Number of Days on which the Court was opened.	Average Number of Suits instituted daily	Amount litigated in Suits instituted in 1875			Value of Suits instituted and disposed of in 1875			Graduated Digest of Costs received in Stamps on institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases.					
													Fees and Costs under 5 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.		
1875	English	Native.	Total				Rs	A	P.	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P
January	270	1,973	2,243	7 307	24	93 458	62,334	9	7	60,899	7	1	423	1	0	523	13	0
February	304	1,956	2,260	6 434	24	94 16	67,997	2	5	66,593	3	7	394	11	0	585	4	0
March	313	2,067	2,380	6 603	22	108 18	75,517	7	1	74,240	10	5	408	11	0	550	1	0
April	298	1,991	2,289	6 681	24	95 375	78,438	15	5	76,877	6	11	371	14	0	548	13	0
May	117	863	980	7 376	20	49	31,909	12	1	30,339	7	9	141	5	0	239	8	0
June	204	1,449	1,653	7 102	22	75 136	62,606	7	6	60,875	1	11	242	9	0	368	0	0
July	339	2,590	2,929	7 6401	27	108 481	90,102	15	1	84,562	7	1	519	4	0	689	0	0
August	326	2,118	2,444	6 496	26	94	71,951	10	6	67,603	11	2	443	12	0	577	13	0
September	218	2,085	2,303	9 564	25	92 12	61,228	7	2	54,542	14	2	410	14	0	593	9	0
October	266	2,108	2,374	7 924	25	94 96	67,075	6	2	55,237	10	5	467	10	0	555	3	0
November	358	2,601	2,959	7 265	25	118 36	75,026	6	4	45,575	4	1	550	4	0	742	12	0
December	212	1,329	1,541	6 268	15	102 73	51,253	9	9	6,988	11	10	264	8	0	365	0	0
Total ..	3,225	23,130	26,355	7 172	279	94 462	7,95,442	13	1	6,84,336	0	5	4,638	7	0	6,338	12	0

No. 1—(*Continued*).

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-fifth year of its institution, viz, from January to December 1875

7—(*Continued*)

Graduated Digest of Costs received in Stamps on institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases.

Months.	Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees			Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees.		
1875	RS	A	P	RS.	A	P	RS	A.	P	RS	A	P	RS	A	P	RS.	A	P	RS	A	P	RS	A	P.
January ..	940	15	0	1,850	14	0	1,464	10	0	1,311	10	0	982	3	6	405	12	6	314	4	0	188	11	6
February ..	820		0	1,822	1	0	1,916	1	0	1,779	5	0	1,026	14	0	476	6	0	205	14	6	406	8	0
March . ..	1,013	5	0	2,053	7	0	1,830	5	0	1,765	13	0	1,198	9	0	544	13	0	287	15	6	169	5	0
April	973	15	0	1,937	6	0	1,672	6	0	1,864	15	0	985	2	0	489	7	6	414	7	6	300	10	6
May	436	1	0	881	11	0	769	13	0	865	9	0	144	14	0	308	12	0	219	6	6	215	2	6
June	758	10	0	1,447	14	0	1,484	1	0	1,046	9	0	547	2	6	697	6	6	589	10	0	818	13	6
July	1,205	14	0	2,145	7	0	2,215	1	0	2,285	8	0	771	3	0	885	13	6	409	6	0	451	14	0
August ..	991	13	0	2,025	7	0	1,656	12	0	1,563	4	0	836	4	6	712	0	6	273	5	0	353	15	6
September ..	998	9	0	1,910	10	0	1,392	1	0	1,535	10	0	580	3	0	459	5	0	238	15	6	398	7	0
October ..	885	14	0	1,982	4	0	1,364	15	0	1,376	7	0	997	1	0	605	8	6	412	15	6	573	14	0
November ..	1,169	4	0	2,227	12	0	1,828	11	0	1,749	3	0	798	6	6	422	11	0	274	10	6	179	5	6
December ..	670	8	0	1,223	4	0	1,216	0	0	1,063	12	0	506	14	6	281	2	0	182	8	6	388	12	0
Total ..	10,865	2	0	21,508	1	0	18,810	12	0	18,207	9	0	9,374	13	6	6,289	2	0	3,823	7	0	3,945	7	6

No. 1—(*Continued*).

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-fifth year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1875.

Months.	7—(*Continued*). Graduated Digest of Costs received in Stamps on institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases—(*Continued*).															8 Graduated Digest of Cases instituted during the year.							
	Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 800 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rupees			Total.			Not above Rupees 5.	Above Rupees 5, not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400
1875.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.								
January ..	108	14	6	278	13	6	226	7	0	80	9	6	9,100	11	0	799	454	401	354	119	58	29	10
February ..	190	0	6	266	3	6	18	0	0	9	12	0	9,917	6	6	717	527	347	351	173	84	31	12
March ..	293	13	6	125	15	0	209	1	0	150	1	6	10,601	3	6	757	482	435	397	157	82	36	15
April ..	197	4	6	323	9	6	277	12	6	328	5	6	10,686	0	6	697	483	423	375	150	89	30	12
May ..	119	13	6	62	1	6	6	0	0	13	0	0	4,423	1	0	279	205	191	169	68	44	4	8
June ..	59	0	6	126	4	6	9	0	0	511	6	0	8,206	6	6	465	321	328	291	135	54	17	17
July ..	380	7	0	72	1	6	201	13	0	227	4	0	12,460	0	0	999	607	520	419	199	110	24	22
August ..	308	5	6	74	0	0	135	7	6	231	1	6	10,183	5	0	840	505	434	386	144	72	25	17
September ..	63	4	0	71	1	6	98	8	0	256	11	6	9,007	7	6	767	513	426	366	117	72	18	10
October ..	234	14	0	61	13	6	132	11	0	48	12	0	9,699	15	0	884	484	373	384	116	64	31	15
November ..	278	4	6	186	9	6	150	9	0	173	2	0	10,730	15	6	1,060	654	505	431	169	85	24	11
December	213	11	6	79	5	6	3	0	0	469	7	0	6,927	13	0	485	325	287	243	110	51	15	7
Total ..	2,447	13	6	1,727	15	0	1,467	7	0	2,499	8	6	1,11,944	5	0	8,749	5,560	4,670	4,166	1,657	865	284	156

No. 1—(*Continued*).

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-fifth year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1875.

Months.	8—(*Continued*).							9																
	Graduated Digest of Cases instituted during the year.							Amount of Fees credited to Government.																
	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 600.	Above Rupees 600, not above Rupees 600	Above Rupees 600, not above Rupees 700	Above Rupees 700, not above Rupees 800	Above Rupees 800, not above Rupees 900	Above Rupees 900, not above Rupees 1,000.	Total.	Fees received in Stamps on institution of Suits			Fees received in Stamps on Second and Further Summonses.			Fees received in Stamps on Subpœnas.			Fees received in Stamps on Warrants.			Fees received in Stamps on Capias			Fees received in Stamps on Notices to revive Judgments.		
1875.								Rs	A.	P	Rs	A	P.	Rs	A	P.	Rs	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P
January	6	3	4	2	3	1	2,243	8,066	9	0	402	12	0	631	6	0	394	10	0	3	0	0	29	2	0
February ..	3	8	3	4	..	..	2,260	8,907	8	6	350	10	0	659	4	0	385	6	0	18	0	0	42	0	0
March	5	4	3	2	3	2	2,380	9,748	11	6	325	0	0	527	8	0	390	14	0	..	..	..	48	4	0
April	9	6	3	5	4	3	2,289	9,826	2	6	298	8	0	561	6	0	439	8	0	4	0	0	31	14	0
May	5	4	2	1	..	..	980	4,118	3	0	105	0	0	199	14	0	339	12	0	2	8	0	9	10	0
June	13	6	1	2	..	3	1,653	7,755	0	6	105	2	0	346	4	0	337	12	0	10	0	0	21	6	0
July	8	7	7	1	3	3	2,929	11,479	4	0	315	2	0	665	10	0	497	2	0	6	0	0	58	4	0
August	4	6	5	1	2	3	2,444	9,188	1	0	274	14	0	720	6	0	477	10	0	..	..	..	58	8	0
September ..	5	4	1	1	1	2	2,303	7,974	5	6	407	6	0	625	12	0	471	14	0	2	0	0	42	12	0
October	8	9	4	1	1	..	2,374	8,612	13	0	297	12	0	789	6	0	444	0	0	1	0	0	43	6	0
November ..	6	3	5	2	2	2	2,959	9,872	9	6	296	10	0	561	12	0	473	8	0	2	0	0	57	14	0
December ..	4	5	3	1	..	5	1,541	6,342	13	0	213	8	0	371	8	0	335	8	0	..	..	..	41	12	0
Total ..	76	65	41	23	19	24	26,355	1,01,892	1	0	3,392	4	0	6,660	0	0	4,987	8	0	48	8	0	434	12	0

No. 1—(*Continued*).

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-fifth year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1875.

Months.	9—(*Continued*).																											
	Amount of Fees credited to Government—(*Continued*).																											
	Fees received in Stamps on Interpleader Summonses			Fees received in Stamps on account of Commissions from the Mofussil Courts for the examination of Witnesses.			Fees received in Stamps in Pauper Suits			Fees received in Stamps on Copies of Judgment.			Stamps affixed to Powers of Attorney for drawing Money out of Court.			Fees received in Stamps for Notices upon Affidavits under Section 281 of Act VIII. of 1859.			Value of Stamp Papers or Value of Stamps affixed on Bail Bonds given on behalf of Defendants.			Total Gross Amount.			Amount of Half Costs refunded.		
1875.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January ..	101	1	0	3	8	0	11	0	0	6	0	0	14	0	0	9	12	0	31	2	0	9,703	14	0	1,607	11	3
February ..	63	13	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	0	0	17	0	0	7	8	0	2	0	0	10,461	1	6	1,208	10	9
March ..	31	11	0	4	0	0	..	..	..	5	0	0	6	0	0	6	8	0	4	8	0	11,098	0	6	1,771	9	3
April	83	9	0	10	0	0	..	..	..	8	8	0	23	0	0	9	14	0	6	12	0	11,303	1	6	1,559	3	3
May	44	14	0	5	4	0	..	..	..	1	0	0	5	0	0	6	2	0	9	4	0	4,846	7	0	679	10	9
June	101	8	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	0	0	11	0	0	11	0	0	5	12	0	8,708	12	6	798	11	9
July	67	2	0	10	0	0	..	..	..	13	0	0	24	0	0	3	12	0	3	2	0	13,142	6	0	2,010	11	3
August ..	42	5	0	17	0	0	..	..	..	12	8	0	12	0	0	5	14	0	3	14	0	10,813	0	0	2,017	3	3
September ..	164	14	0	6	0	0	..	..	..	15	8	0	14	0	0	11	4	0	7	6	0	9,743	1	6	1,885	13	6
October ..	31	1	0	22	0	0	..	..	..	5	8	0	25	0	0	15	4	0	7	10	0	10,294	12	0	1,511	14	9
November ..	112	3	0	8	8	0	..	..	..	13	8	0	14	0	0	5	8	0	5	8	0	11,423	8	6	1,644	10	3
December ..	17	12	0	13	0	0	..	..	..	3	8	0	6	0	0	4	6	0	4	8	0	7,354	3	0	905	8	0
Total ..	861	13	0	99	4	0	11	0	0	96	0	0	171	0	0	96	12	0	91	6	0	1,18,892	4	0	17,601	6	0

No. 1—(*Continued*).

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-fifth year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1875.

Months.	9—(*Continued*). Amount of Fees credited to Government—(*Continued*). Net Amount carried to the credit of Government.			10 Amount of Fines.			11 Unclaimed Deposits for the year 1868.			12 Stamp Duty and Penalty levied.			13 Excess of Fees on Summonses, Second and Further Summonses, Subpœnas, and Warrants, &c.		
1875.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January ..	8,096	2	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	2	0	1	14	0
February ..	9,252	6	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	34	8	0	0	10	6
March ..	9,326	7	3	..	..	..	398	5	1	18	0	0	2	11	0
April.. ..	9,743	14	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	10	0	0	11	0
May	4,166	12	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	8	0	0	4	0
June	7,910	0	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	9	0	1	0	0
July	11,131	10	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	29	10	0	1	15	6
August ..	8,795	12	9	10	0	0	..	..	..	15	0	0	3	0	0
September ..	7,857	4	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	123	0	0	2	4	0
October ..	8,782	13	3	50	0	0	..	..	..	16	14	0	3	14	0
November ..	9,778	14	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	2	0	4	2	6
December ..	6,448	11	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	8	0	0	3	0
Total ..	1,01,290	14	0	60	0	0	398	5	1	338	7	0	22	9	6

MEMORANDUM.

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1875 the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays .. .. 52 days.
Good Friday, Her Majesty's Birthday, and Christmas Day .. .. 3 ,,
Hindu and other holidays scattered throughout the year and Saturdays during the adjournment .. .. 31 ,,
Total .. 86 ,,
The Court sat .. .. 279 ,,
Total .. 365 ,,

During the adjournment one Judge sat every day (except Saturdays, Sundays, and authorized holidays), and disposed of a certain number of cases.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st March* 1876.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 2.

Comparative Table of Cases heard and decided from January to December 1874 *and from January to December* 1875.

—	January.		February.		March.		April.		May.		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.	1874.	1875.
Judgment for Plaintiff.	1,279	1,866	1,143	1,439	1,483	1,446	1,420	1,320	1,646	559	1,606	932	1,744	1,631	1,019	1,318	420	1,210	1,127	1,185	1,592	1,188	1,235	138	15,814	14,232
Judgment for Defendant.	69	99	49	85	74	85	64	77	47	37	47	52	85	64	89	55	11	50	67	48	79	32	56	6	687	690
Non-suit and struck off.	475	462	349	331	339	319	231	326	275	166	331	208	329	280	205	262	101	207	153	202	200	159	122	18	3,160	2,940
Compromised.	727	926	591	795	780	790	810	682	760	259	801	496	1,037	952	556	796	223	718	571	708	871	640	619	79	8,346	7,842
Undecided ..	28	13	22	18	22	22	35	52	54	24	56	26	106	78	115	87	74	154	225	258	516	962	1,152	1,395	2,405	3,089
Total ..	2,678	3,366	2,154	2,668	2,698	2,662	2,610	2,457	2,782	1,045	2,841	1,716	3,301	3,005	1,934	2,518	829	2,339	2,143	2,401	3,258	2,981	3,184	1,636	30,412	28,794

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31*st March* 1876.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 3.

Statement showing the Number of Causes remaining undecided on 31*st December* 1875.

Number of causes postponed for want of service		33
Do.	for plaintiffs or defendants, or for parties' witnesses	55
Do.	for attendance of plaintiffs or defendants	47
Do.	at the request of plaintiffs or defendants, or for both parties	64
Do.	by order of Court	163
	Total ..	362

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31*st March* 1876.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 4.

Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized in Stamps from January 1874 to December 1875, prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court.

Months.	1874.			1875.			Total Increase of Fees in 1875.			Total Decrease of Fees in 1875.			Remarks.
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
January	8,092	9	9	8,096	2	9	3	9	0	..	..	..	
February	8,786	7	0	9,252	6	9	465	15	9	..	..	..	
March	11,468	2	6	9,326	7	3	..	..	..	2,141	11	3	
April	8,311	7	0	9,743	14	3	1,432	7	3	..	..	..	
May	9,967	15	6	4,166	12	3	..	..	..	5,801	3	3	
June	11,177	2	0	7,910	0	9	..	..	..	3,267	1	3	
July	12,659	9	3	11,131	10	9	..	..	..	1,527	14	6	
August	7,184	0	0	8,795	12	9	1,611	12	9	..	..	..	
September	4,626	6	0	7,857	4	0	3,230	14	0	..	..	..	
October	8,077	12	3	8,782	13	3	705	1	0	..	..	..	
November	9,568	8	9	9,778	14	3	210	5	6	..	..	..	
December	6,714	5	6	6,448	11	0	..	..	..	265	10	6	
Total ..	1,06,634	5	6	1,01,290	14	0	7,660	1	3	13,003	8	9	

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(Signed) J M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 5.

Abstract Statement of Sums received and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their Demands from January to December 1875

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
To Balance in cash .. Rs. 7,259-6-7	..	..	..										
Do. in Govt. Securities. „ 17,383-3-10	..	..	..	24,642	10	5							
By cash received on causes decreed in January 1875..	14,236	12	8				To cash paid to plaintiffs, &c., for causes decreed in January 1875 ..	12,980	10	6			
Do. do. February „ ..	11,900	2	5				Do. do. February „ ..	12,560	9	6			
Do. do. March „ ..	9,973	8	5				Do. do. March „ ..	12,273	6	5			
Do. do. April „ ..	11,182	9	4				Do. do. April „ ..	11,122	1	3			
Do. do. May „ ..	7,586	7	5				Do. do. May „ ..	7,336	9	5			
Do. do. June „ ..	8,737	9	10				Do. do. June „ ..	8,553	9	9			
Do. do. July „ ..	14,652	15	11				Do. do. July „ ..	13,641	8	11			
Do. do. August „ ..	11,624	7	11				Do. do. August „ ..	11,746	12	2			
Do. do. September „ ..	12,645	7	4				Do. do. September „ ..	13,036	4	8			
Do. do. October „ ..	10,805	12	1				Do. do. October „ ..	10,088	7	9			
Do. do. November „ ..	10,857	14	1				Do. do. November „ ..	12,998	10	11			
Do. do. December „ ..	6,432	11	10				Do. do. December „ ..	6,114	0	10			
				1,30,636	7	3					1,32,452	12	1
Interest realized by the Bank on the Government Promissory Notes on Rs. 17,383-3-10.	..	..	..	4,611	10	10	Balance ..	..	..	..	27,438	0	5
Total ..	..	..	..	1,59,890	12	6	Total ..	..	..	..	1,59,890	12	6

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Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 6.

'Abstract of the Particulars of Demand from January to December 1875

Months.	Cloths sold and delivered.	Other Goods sold and delivered	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes	Wages.	Work and Labor	Work and Labor and Materials	For Money paid.	For Money lent	For Money had and received	On Account stated	For Use and Occupation.	On Judgment	Guarantee	Partnership Balance	Other Actions in Assumpsit	Trover	Case	Trespass.	Assault	Damage.	Interpleader.	Recovery of Small Tenements.	Ejectments.	Against Executors and Representatives	Covenant.	Total.
1875																										
January	134	517	607	35	24	.	28	165	11	285	213	3	18	4	97	68	..	..	..	6	22	..	20	9	12	2,274
February	126	580	610	18	14	1	41	187	19	270	219	3	18	3	84	51	..	..	..	2	16	..	12	4	4	2,280
March	163	583	643	25	28	..	50	149	17	288	192	7	34	1	99	69	..	..	1	10	13	..	17	.	5	2,393
April	101	522	676	27	18	2	43	183	5	216	218	6	25	4	127	68	..	..	1	25	19	..	14	3	10	2,311
May	54	199	309	21	7	2	26	66	7	104	81	1	10	1	52	32	..	..	..	1	8	..	6	3	3	991
June	108	340	464	23	10	..	30	152	12	201	176	1	14	1	65	39	..	..	..	6	14	..	8	1	8	1,668
July	203	653	740	46	17	3	46	216	14	349	300	11	32	3	153	71	..	..	..	14	12	..	40	4	20	2 945
August	146	610	626	26	15	2	39	176	19	293	214	12	36	3	119	76	..	..	..	7	11	..	22	4	8	2,459
September	164	511	600	36	22	3	38	182	12	264	204	5	23	2	128	59	..	2	1	12	14	..	22	11	17	2,328
October	144	577	591	24	12	..	39	190	12	278	221	10	26	2	127	71	..	..	3	9	9	..	33	6	6	2,389
November	211	643	811	30	24	1	57	266	22	333	227	30	32	8	135	83	..	..	3	8	19	..	24	7	13	2,985
December	101	323	490	15	22	1	22	122	10	150	158	5	11	..	64	28	..	..	..	5	4	..	13	8	5	1,553
Total ..	1,655	6,058	7,167	326	213	15	459	2,054	160	3,031	2,423	94	279	32	1,250	715	..	2	9	105	161	..	231	60	111	26,576

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31*st March* 1876

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 7.

Statement showing the Monthly Salaries of the three Judges and of the Establishment

	RS	A.	P
First Judge	2,000	0	0
Two Judges on Rupees 1 000 each ..	2,000	0	0
Clerk and Assistant Clerk	800	0	0
Establishment	2,123	0	0
Total ..	6 923	0	0

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st March* 1876

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 8.

Statement showing the Number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the Amount of Fees realized thereon, including Fine and Unclaimed Deposits, during the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, *and* 1875, *together with the Progressive Increase and Decrease in each year.*

Years	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each year.	Decrease of Causes in each year.	Fees realised.			Increase of Fees in each year.			Decrease of Fees in each year.		
				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1851	23,668	..	..	37,417	7	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
1852	24,392	724	..	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	..	..	..
1853	25,192	800	..	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	..	..	..
1854	26,483	1,291	..	49,281	10	0	2,802	0	0	..	..	..
1855	26,199	..	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	..	..	..
1856	22,869	..	3,330	43,682	14	6	..	..	..	8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	..	5,190	36,909	10	6	..	..	..	6,773	4	0
1858	18,020	346	..	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	..	..	..
1859	18,374	354	..	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	..	..	..
1860	19,778	1,104	..	63,292	8	3	8,694	6	3	..	..	..
1861	23,054	3,276	..	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	..	..	..
1862	22,345	..	709	76,122	0	10	..	..	..	14,926	0	8
1863	19,940	..	2,405	69,364	6	10	..	..	..	6,757	10	0
1864	20,781	841	..	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	..	..	..
1865	20,375	..	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	..	..	..
1866	21,191	816	..	96,277	15	0	15,584	8	10	..	..	..
1867	19,004	..	2,187	91,467	13	11	..	..	..	4,810	1	1
1868	20,134	1,130	..	90,386	6	8	..	..	..	1,081	7	3
1869	20,674	540	..	85,886	14	11	..	..	..	4,499	7	9
1870	24,071	3,397	..	98,564	5	0	12,667	6	1	..	..	..
1871	24,784	713	..	97,508	14	5	..	..	..	1,055	6	7
1872	24,506	..	278	90,902	11	3	..	..	..	6,606	3	1
1873	26,209	1,703	..	1,05,029	4	8	14,125	9	5	..	..	..
1874	27,480	1,271	..	1,06,947	1	9	1,917	13	1	..	..	..
1875	26,389	..	1,091	1,01,749	3	1	..	..	..	5,197	14	8

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Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 9.

Statement showing the Number and Nature of Civil Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1875. (*Table* 2, *Appendix II.A., Judicial.*)

Nature of Claims.		Number of Cases.
Money due on contract ..	On written promise for sum certain	7,372
	On unwritten promise for sum certain	2,115
	On account stated	3,031
	Money paid or received	2,673
	For goods sold and delivered	7,713
Rent		2,423
Recovery of personal property or value thereof		715
Damages	For injuries to person	9
	For injuries to property	77
	For defamation	14
	For other injuries not included in the above	2
	For breach of contract not included in the above	14
Suits relating to mortgage of immoveable property		18
Suits for or relating to the real property not included in the above		213
	Total ..	26,389

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 10.

Statement showing the Number and Value of Suits disposed of in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1875. (*Table No. 3, Appendix II.A., Judicial.*)

—	Number.	Value.
		RS. A. P.
Not exceeding Rupees 5	6,488	24,084 13 3
Do. do. 20	9,929	1,05,694 0 10
Do do. 100	5,699	2,44,141 6 6
Do. do. 500	1,409	2,83,022 3 1
Do. do. 1,000	180	1,26,176 3 1
Total ..	25,705	7,83,118 10 9

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31*st March* 1876

(Signed) J. M MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 11.

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Suits in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1875. (*Table No. 4, Appendix II.A., Judicial.*)

Suits remaining from 1874.	Filed in 1875.	Received by Transfer.	Total for Disposal.	Transferred to other Courts.	Plaint rejected or returned.	Uncontested: Dismissed for Default.	Uncontested: Withdrawn with Leave.	Uncontested: Compromised.	Uncontested: Decreed on Confession.	Uncontested: Judgment ex parte. Decreed ex parte.	Uncontested: Judgment ex parte. Dismissed ex parte.	Contested. Judgment for Plaintiff.	Contested. Judgment for Defendant.	Contested. Non-suit.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Pending. Over two Months.	Pending. Over four Months.	Pending. Over twelve Months.	Average Duration of Suits. Contested.	Average Duration of Suits. Uncontested.	Referred to Arbitration.
Under Act V of 1866 .. 2,405	26,355	..	28,760	..	..	2,575	6	7,835	2,378	8,779	19	3,060	689	340	25,681	3,079	2,680	317	82	41	15	131
.. ..	34	..	34	..	..	..	..	8	2	11	..	2	1	..	24	10	4	6	..	..	..	..
2,405	26,389	..	28,794	..	..	2,575	6	7,843	2,380	8,790	19	3,062	690	340	25,705	3,089	2,684	323	82	41	15	131

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31*st March* 1876.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 12.

Statement showing the Number of Suits pending in the Madras Court of Small Causes classified according to the years in which they were instituted (Table No 6, Appendix II A Judicial)

Years in which instituted						Total	Remarks
In 1870	In 1871	In 1872	In 1873	In 1874	In 1875		
Original	Original	Original	Original	Original.	Original	Original	
.	..	3	10	69	3,007	3,089	

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31st *March* 1876

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 13.

Statement showing the Execution of Decrees in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the year 1875 (Table No 7, Appendix II A, Judicial)

Application to execute Decree				Decrees		Pending at the end of 1875	Nature and Number of Coercive Processes issued					Orders under Section 243 of the Civil Procedure Code
Pending from 1874	Filed in 1875	Received by Transfer	Total for Disposal	Completely executed	Partly executed		Imprisonment of Persons	Moveable Property		Immoveable Property		
								Attached.	Sold	Attached	Sold	
836	7,692	..	8,528	7,274	402	852	581	765	465	..	..	..

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31st *March* 1876

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No. 14.

Statement showing the Operation of the new Distress Act (No. I. of 1875) during the year 1875

Months	Number of Applications admitted and Distress Warrants issued	Amount of Rent claimed.			Money paid by Defendants before Distress.			Number of Sales.	Amount realised by such sale.			Number of Distress Warrants unexecuted.	Commission and Fees realised.		
		RS	A	P	RS	A	P		RS	A	P		RS	A	P
July	1	64	0	0	..	.	.	1	5	2	6	..	5	0	0
August	2	906	3	6	..	..	.	1	105	0	0	..	10	12	0
September	5	616	10	8	140	0	0	1	215	4	3	2	28	10	6
October	1	54	0	0	.	.	.	..	..	..	..	..	2	0	0
November	3	123	0	0	96	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	4	0	0
December	4	146	1	6	49	8	0	..	..	..	..	..	5	4	0
Total ..	16	1,909	15	8	285	8	0	3	325	6	9	2	55	10	6

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
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No. 15.

Year	Average Sum decreed			Average Sum for which any Coercive Process was issued			Number of Persons arrested, and for what Average Sum			Average Amount of Debt due by each Person imprisoned.			Average Term of Incarceration undergone by Parties discharged after Imprisonment.	Number of Arrested Persons brought before Court.	Number claiming Discharge under Section 273, Code of Civil Procedure.	Number discharged under Section 6, Amending Act XXIII of 1861	Number of Applications for Discharge by Persons imprisoned, Section 280, C C P	Number of Discharges ordered.	Number of Recommittals for Fraud.	Number of Persons absolved from further Liability, Section 282, C C P
	RS.	A	P	RS	A	P	NO	RS	A.	P	RS	A	P		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1875	29	0	0	34	0	0	1,618	42	0	0	59	0	0	12	581	*150	23	3	1	..	..

* 45 defendants committed to jail
80 do discharged on compromise
2 cases still pending

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
31*st March* 1876

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read Annual Report* of the Judges of the Court of Small Causes, Madras:—

(Here enter 31st March 1876, No. 87.)

ORDER THEREON, 12th May 1876, No. 912.

This report shows a falling off, exceeding 1,000, in the number of suits instituted in the year as compared with the previous year; but as remarked in G.O., dated 15th July 1875, No. 1554, the number of suits filed in 1874 exceeded considerably that of the two highest years on record. The number filed last year very nearly accords with that of the two years referred to, as shown in the margin. Judging by these results, the increased scale of fees introduced in October 1874 on the Original Side of the High Court does not appear therefore to have succeeded, as yet, in forcing small suits from that tribunal to the Small Cause Court. Pending legislation to enable the Small Cause Court to reach the immoveable property of a judgment-debtor which it is believed would effect improvement in this respect, but which has been deferred, application has been made to the Government of India for sanction to extend to the Small Cause Court of Madras various sections of the Code of Civil Procedure, in view to enlarging the jurisdiction of that Court,† and relieving the High Court in a corresponding degree from the pressure of small suits.

	No
Suits filed in 1854	26,483
,, ,, 1873	26,209
,, ,, 1874	27,480
,, ,, 1875	26,355

† *Vide* letter to Government of India, dated 16th November 1875, No. 2394

2. In addition to the 26,355 suits filed in 1875, there were 2,405 causes pending from 1874; and thirty-four cases were filed under the Summary Procedure on Bills of Exchange Act V of 1866, or 28,794 causes for disposal in all. Of the causes instituted in the year under review, 1,756 suits were made returnable in 1876, and of the summary suits under Act V of 1866, seven were made similarly returnable. Taking all the suits and cases together, it appears that the Small Cause Court disposed of 25,705 causes, and left 3,089 undecided at the end of the year, the particulars of which are shown in the margin. The great bulk of these causes were decided either *ex parte* or on confession, or were struck off or compromised. There were 359 nonsuits, and six cases were withdrawn.

CAUSES DISPOSED OF.

	No.	No.
FOR PLAINTIFF		
Ex parte		
Unheard	8,730	
Partly heard†	60	
		8,790
Confession		
Unheard	2,357	
Partly heard	23	
		2,380
Defended		3,044
Arbitration		18
		14,232
FOR DEFENDANT.		
Defended	683	
Arbitration	7	
		690
Struck off		
Unheard	2,415	
Partly heard	160	
		2,575
Compromised		
Unheard	7,778	
Partly heard	65	
		7,843
Withdrawn		
Unheard	3	
Partly heard	3	
		6
Nonsuits		359
		25,705

*Printed separately.

RETURN OF CASES

INSTITUTED IN THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES

DURING THE YEAR 1876.

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MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
20th March 1877.

No. 87.

From

THE JUDGES OF THE MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

To

THE HONORABLE D. F. CARMICHAEL,

Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George.

SIR,

WE have the honor to send, herewith, for submission to His Grace the Governor in Council, the Twenty-sixth Annual Report of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the year ending 31st December 1876.

2. The number of suits instituted during the year was 28,316 against 26,355 in the preceding year.

3. The receipts on account of fees, fines, and unclaimed deposits amounted to Rupees 1,24,544-7-11. Deducting Rupees 17,645-4-0, half costs refunded, and Rupees 83,038-4-11 on account of the cost of the Court and Contingent Charges, the net balance to the credit of Government was Rupees 23,860-15-0, or Rupees 5,100-1-6 in excess of the preceding year—

	RS.	A.	P.
Fees, fines, &c., in 1876	1,24,544	7	11
Costs, &c.	1,00,683	8	11
Surplus	23,860	15	0
Surplus in 1875	18,760	13	6
Balance ...	5,100	1	6

4. Out of the total number of suits instituted in 1876, 1,027 suits were made returnable in 1877, the remaining 27,289 suits, together with 3,079 cases pending from 1875, represent the number of suits set down for hearing in 1876—

	No.
Instituted in 1876	28,316
Returnable in 1877	1,027
	27,289
Pending from 1876	3,079
Total ...	30,368

Of these, 15,878 cases were decided in favor of plaintiffs, 717 cases in favor of defendants, 472 were non-suited, 2,833 cases were struck off or withdrawn, 8,790 cases were compromised, and 1,678 cases were partly heard and adjourned. Besides the above there were 51 suits filed under the summary procedure on Bills of Exchange Act, and 10 suits were pending from the preceding year. Out of these, 40 cases were decided in favor of plaintiffs, 1 was decided in favor of defendant,

2 cases were struck off, 12 cases were compromised, and 6 were pending at the close of the year, as appears from the following statement:—

A.

—		Judgment for Plaintiff.	Judgment for Defendant.	Non-suit.	Struck off and Withdrawn.	Compromised.	Undecided.		Total.	Instituted in 1875, but made returnable in 1876.	Grand Total
							Partly heard and adjourned.	On account of Summons not being served.			
Cases pending from 1875	3,079	1,601	117	55	435	787	20	64	3,079	...	3,079
Cases instituted in 1876	28,316	14,277	600	417	2,398	8,009	527	1,067	27,289	1,027	28,316
Cases (under Act V of 1866) pending from 1875 ...	10	3	1	...	2	2	...	2	10	...	10
Cases instituted in 1876	51	37	...	...	...	10	...	4	51	...	51
Total ...	31,456	15,918	718	472	2,835	8,803	547	1,137	30,429	1,027	31,456

5. During the year there were 50 applications made for the issue of the distress warrants in which the rent claimed was Rupees 1,675-8-1. One application was refused, and out of the remaining 49, warrants were issued on 39 applications and goods were distrained and the rent realized was Rupees 539-15-9. Two warrants remained unexecuted at the close of the year.

6. There were 174 interpleader suits, in 128 of which the claim was wholly or partly allowed, and the claim was disallowed in 46 cases.

7. The amount litigated in the suits instituted exceeded that in the preceding year by Rupees 35,286-9-7—

		Rs.	A.	P.
1876	...	8,30,729	6	8
1875	...	7,95,442	13	1
	Balance ...	35,286	9	7

8. There were 90 motions for new trial, and 2,042 other motions heard and disposed of.

9. Out of 636 persons arrested and brought before the Court, 224 applied for discharge under Section 273, Act VIII of 1859, of whom 133 persons were discharged under Section 8, Act XXIII of 1861. There were no applications for discharge under Section 280 of the Code, no recommittals for fraud, and no person was absolved from further liability under Section 282.

10. There were 47 commissions to take evidence issued to this Court under Section 175, Act VIII of 1859, in reference to cases instituted in the Mofussil Courts under which 48 witnesses were examined.

11. The Statement B shows at a glance the business connected with the suits instituted in 1876.

B.

1876.	Cases instituted in 1876			Number of Copies of Summonses issued.	Number of Copies of Second and further Summonses issued.	Number of Copies of Subpœnas issued.	Attachments	Number of Copies of Warrants issued against Judgment Debtors and their Goods.	Number of Judges Warrants under Section 50, Act IX of 1850.	Number of Copies of Judgment sent to Mofussil Courts for execution and granted to parties for production as evidence in other Courts	Number of Commitments under Section 50 of Act IX of 1850.	Number of Orders to Jailor to release Prisoners.	Number of Suits referred to arbitration under Section 40 of Act IX of 1850.	Power of Attorney filed to Sue.				Power of Attorney filed to Defend.			
	English.	Native.	Total.											By Attorneys.	By Vakils.	By Agents	Total.	By Attorney.	By Vakil	By Agent.	Total.
January	277	2,015	2,292	2,865	862	1,854	...	835	3	12	...	9	12	36	35	44	115	21	18	20	59
February ...	316	2,078	2,394	2,956	671	1,960	...	981	4	16	...	5	11	27	33	69	129	10	21	7	38
March	424	2,364	2,788	3,478	761	2,400	...	1,029	3	17	1	8	8	54	52	69	175	19	47	13	79
April	261	1,948	2,209	2,833	638	1,500	...	732	1	13	...	7	11	38	43	40	121	17	47	4	68
May	174	1,272	1,446	1,803	463	943	...	635	...	6	...	20	1	43	20	37	100	15	20	6	41
June	184	1,272	1,456	1,803	316	775	...	590	1	5	..	6	6	24	24	7	55	20	16	2	38
July	273	2,547	2,820	3,476	496	2,070	...	749	1	12	...	10	5	60	51	43	154	27	36	5	68
August	314	2,709	3,023	3,772	796	2,163	...	1,012	5	21	1	4	9	55	86	67	208	35	45	7	87
September ...	259	2,338	2,597	3,237	690	2,442	...	948	2	18	2	9	10	49	54	56	159	40	10	3	53
October	274	2,293	2,567	3,176	831	2,315	...	982	..	16	...	11	6	77	82	75	234	54	31	6	91
November ...	290	2,528	2,818	3,430	835	2,305	..	948	1	18	...	14	14	61	64	28	153	39	35	3	77
December	215	1,691	1,906	2,418	1,045	1,500	...	814	1	13	...	8	11	43	18	11	72	14	8	...	22
Total ...	3,261	25,055	28,316	35,247	8,404	22,227	...	10,255	22	167	4	111	104	567	562	546	1,675	311	334	76	721
Cases under Act V of 1866	7	44	51	71	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34	6	...	40	...	1	...	1
Suits pending from 31st Dec. 1875.	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ..	7	44	61	71	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34	6	...	40	...	1	...	1

B—(*Continued*).

1876.	Judgment for Plaintiff.						Judgment for Defendant.		Non-suit.	Struck off.		Compromised.		Withdrawn.		Undecided.				Interpleader Suits			Motions for new Trial or pursuant to leave reserved.				Motions for Revival of Judgment	Other Motions.
	Ex-parte.		Confession																								
	Unheard.	Partly heard.	Unheard.	Partly heard.	Defended.	On award of Arbitrators	Defended.	On award of Arbitrators.		Unheard.	Partly heard.	Unheard.	Partly heard	Unheard.	Partly heard.	Number of Cases adjourned to next year	Number of Second and Further Summonses pending.	Number of Cases instituted in 1876, but made returnable in 1877.	Total.	Claim allowed.	Claim disallowed	Claim partly allowed.	Rule refused.	Rule granted.	Rule made absolute	Rule discharged.		
January	805	29	178	4	263	..	48	...	37	174	23	696	23	...	...	2	10	...	2,292	11	..	1	6	4	4	...	144	188
February	891	31	179	2	259	1	53	1	34	188	45	688	11	...	...	6	5	...	2,394	9	1	1	4	4	3	...	156	300
March	965	8	186	8	349	1	68	...	44	236	28	859	13	...	...	8	15	...	2,788	16	3	1	...	3	1	...	149	282
April	735	26	153	4	244	...	70	...	35	228	43	635	17	...	..	4	15	...	2,209	8	7	1	..	1	2	...	99	174
May	448	17	84	2	154	...	39	...	41	156	34	434	12	...	...	9	16	...	1,446	10	6	...	...	2	...	1	44	66
June	513	13	95	..	160	...	31	...	24	135	26	430	6	...	...	8	15	...	1,456	6	2	..	...	...	...	...	5	120
July	1,015	30	224	7	271	...	56	...	39	191	34	851	23	...	...	25	54	...	2,820	18	...	..	5	10	6	2	16	140
August	1,058	34	201	10	255	..	82	...	48	208	54	955	18	1	...	39	60	...	3,023	6	8	...	...	1	4	1	171	156
September	931	18	189	5	237	..	54	...	40	215	6	749	19	...	...	52	82	...	2,597	9	3	...	...	...	1	1	189	149
October	834	32	227	9	245	..	46	...	36	167	19	659	7	...	...	120	165	1	2,567	8	7	...	3	7	5	1	221	192
November	856	12	225	6	174	...	42	...	29	143	16	707	11	...	1	170	418	6	2,818	12	7	2	...	1	...	..	154	162
December	239	..	85	..	39	..	10	...	10	26	1	180	...	..	...	84	212	1,020	1,906	9	2		...	5	2	...	135	113
Total ...	9,290	250	2,026	59	2,650	2	599	1	599	2,067	329	7,843	160	1	1	527	1,067	1,027	28,316	122	46	6	18	38	28	6	1,483	2,042
Cases under Act V of 1866.	36	...	...	...	1	..	..	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	..	...	4	51	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Suits pending from 31st Dec. 1875.	3	...	...	...	...	.	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	2	10	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total .	39	...	...	...	1	..	1	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	2	...	...	6	61	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...

(Signed) T. M. BUSTEED,
" C. RUNGANADA SHASTRY,
" T. MUTTUSAMI IYER,
} *Judges.*

No. 1.

Statement showing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-sixth Year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1876.

Months.	1			2	3	4	5			6			7					
	Number of Suits instituted.			The English Cases bear to the Native Cases. The Ratio of	Number of Days on which the Court was opened.	Average Number of Suits instituted daily.	Amount litigated in Suits instituted in 1876.			Value of Suits instituted and disposed of in 1876.			Graduated Digest of Costs received in Stamps on institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases.					
													Fees and Costs under 5 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 10 Rupees.		
	English.	Native.	Total.				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1876.																		
January	277	2,015	2,292	7·274	24	95·5	64,231	8	2	62,774	2	8	414	5	0	543	10	0
February	316	2,078	2,394	6·575	25	95·76	69,317	15	3	68,230	7	4	445	14	0	550	9	0
March	424	2,364	2,788	5·575	27	103·259	83,732	6	6	81,720	0	9	511	7	0	679	3	0
April	261	1,948	2,209	7·463	20	110·45	61,193	9	2	59,663	6	6	395	0	0	524	9	0
May	174	1,272	1,446	7·3103	22	65·727	52,331	0	8	50,082	9	7	252	4	0	325	8	0
June	184	1,272	1,456	6·913	22	66·136	43,154	10	7	39,556	8	8	243	12	0	337	13	0
July	273	2,547	2,820	9·329	24	117·5	80,856	8	10	74,863	9	5	494	7	0	660	0	0
August	314	2,709	3,023	8·627	27	111·962	83,756	14	5	76,863	3	9	535	13	0	750	7	0
September	259	2,338	2,597	9·027	25	103·88	71,034	10	11	63,639	13	5	496	2	0	617	11	0
October	274	2,293	2,567	8·638	26	98·730	80,178	10	7	65,083	0	11	483	6	0	629	11	0
November	290	2,528	2,818	8·717	25	112·72	79,415	11	10	58,351	8	0	534	8	0	669	0	0
December	215	1,691	1,906	7·865	19	100·315	61,525	11	9	13,600	12	1	331	4	0	452	15	0
Total ..	3,261	25,055	28,316	7·683	286	99·007	8,30,729	6	8	7,14,429	3	1	5,136	2	0	6,741	0	0

No. 1—(*Continued*).

Statement showing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-sixth Year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1876—(Contd.)

Months.	7—(*Continued*). Graduated Digest of Costs received in Stamps on institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases—(*Continued*).																							
	Fees and Costs under 20 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 50 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 100 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 200 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 300 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 400 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 500 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 600 Rupees.		
1876.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January ..	955	11	0	1,773	6	0	1,704	1	0	1,411	6	0	566	1	0	489	4	6	376	2	0	185	7	6
February ..	1,003	0	0	1,921	15	0	1,709	10	0	1,943	15	0	471	13	6	466	13	6	253	14	0	165	4	0
March ..	1,142	15	0	2,371	3	0	2,051	13	0	1,961	2	0	626	3	0	817	7	0	395	15	0	264	1	6
April	889	13	0	1,834	15	0	1,664	8	0	1,597	15	0	703	14	0	515	3	0	357	15	6	138	3	0
May	617	9	0	1,120	10	0	1,044	1	0	1,161	5	0	575	6	0	223	1	6	141	7	6	412	1	0
June	572	10	0	1,175	10	0	1,057	6	0	1,180	5	0	433	14	6	314	1	6	370	1	0	4	8	0
July	1,168	3	0	2,217	9	0	1,935	2	0	1,856	1	0	840	15	6	684	0	6	393	0	6	211	0	0
August ..	1,147	14	0	2,381	6	0	2,002	5	0	2,385	7	0	912	13	6	495	5	0	542	8	0	377	14	6
September ..	1,023	3	0	2,101	5	0	1,770	7	0	1,867	6	0	723	12	6	586	14	0	425	9	0	205	14	0
October ..	996	1	0	2,212	13	0	1,681	6	0	1,778	13	0	781	12	6	670	6	0	597	8	0	452	12	0
November ...	1,211	11	0	2,198	10	0	2,068	2	0	1,349	15	0	1,320	7	0	562	5	0	375	11	6	346	10	6
December ..	841	15	0	1,585	6	0	1,426	8	0	1,188	15	0	693	5	6	561	10	0	552	11	6	201	4	0
Total ..	11,570	9	0	22,844	12	0	20,115	5	0	19,682	9	0	8,650	6	6	6,386	7	6	4,782	7	6	2,965	0	0

No. 1—(*Continued*).

Statement showing Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-sixth Year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1876—(Contd.)

Months.	7—(*Continued*). Graduated Digest of Costs received in Stamps on institution of Suits, but of which portions may have been repaid to Suitors who may have compromised their Cases—(*Continued*).															8 Graduated Digest of Cases instituted during the year.							
	Fees and Costs under 700 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 800 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 900 Rupees.			Fees and Costs under 1,000 Rupees.			Total.			Not above Rupees 5.	Above Rupees 5, not above Rupees 10.	Above Rupees 10, not above Rupees 20.	Above Rupees 20, not above Rupees 50.	Above Rupees 50, not above Rupees 100.	Above Rupees 100, not above Rupees 200.	Above Rupees 200, not above Rupees 300.	Above Rupees 300, not above Rupees 400.
1876.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.								
January ..	116	6	6	193	0	0	78	2	0	227	8	0	9,034	6	6	803	477	412	340	145	66	16	13
February ..	287	10	0	263	8	6	204	1	0	86	12	6	9,774	12	0	815	471	439	377	154	93	15	12
March ..	183	12	0	263	1	6	213	8	6	276	15	0	11,758	10	6	931	581	502	440	178	93	18	20
April	251	0	0	..	..	..	6	0	0	6	8	0	8,885	7	6	746	450	380	354	149	80	23	13
May	303	5	0	216	0	6	139	14	0	323	3	0	6,855	11	6	481	290	267	224	93	51	18	5
June	221	15	0	..	..	..	68	10	0	..	..	..	5,980	10	0	473	298	254	243	97	57	14	7
July	319	8	6	142	2	6	145	13	0	234	11	6	11,302	10	0	971	573	517	438	170	86	27	16
August ..	294	12	0	16	8	0	75	4	0	3	4	0	11,921	9	0	1,050	656	498	472	179	106	25	12
September ..	265	3	6	194	6	0	65	10	6	84	12	0	10,428	3	6	929	529	440	410	150	85	22	13
October ..	306	8	0	320	2	0	80	3	0	81	8	0	11,072	13	6	884	541	423	419	145	84	23	16
November ..	371	8	0	132	11	6	206	2	0	6	8	0	11,353	13	6	989	577	517	425	176	63	37	13
December ..	178	5	0	193	12	6	139	7	0	156	8	0	8,453	14	6	619	388	367	294	120	58	22	13
Total ..	3,099	13	6	1,935	5	0	1,422	11	0	1,488	2	0	1,16,822	10	0	9,691	5,831	5,016	4,436	1,756	922	260	153

No. 1—(*Continued*).

Statement showing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-sixth Year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1876—(Contd.)

Months	8—(Continued). Graduated Digest of Cases instituted during the year.							9 Amount of Fees credited to Government.																	
	Above Rupees 400, not above Rupees 500	Above Rupees 500, not above Rupees 600.	Above Rupees 600, not above Rupees 700	Above Rupees 700, not above Rupees 800.	Above Rupees 800, not above Rupees 900.	Above Rupees 900, not above Rupees 1,000.	Total	Fees received in Stamps on institution of Suits.			Fees received in Stamps on Second and Further Summonses.			Fees received in Stamps on Subpœnas			Fees received in Stamps on Warrants.			Fees received in Stamps on Capias.			Fees received in Stamps on Notices to revive Judgments.		
1876.								RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January	8	3	2	3	1	3	2,292	8,287	0	6	205	2	0	542	4	0	390	8	0	22	0	0	54	10	0
February ..	5	2	5	4	1	1	2,394	8,957	0	0	262	6	0	555	6	0	521	8	0	5	0	0	54	0	0
March	8	5	2	4	3	3	2,788	10,790	12	6	356	12	0	611	2	0	466	10	0	15	8	0	56	0	0
April	8	2	4	..	..	..	2,209	8,132	9	6	277	0	0	475	14	0	400	0	0	1	0	0	30	12	0
May	3	6	4	2	1	1	1,446	6,415	13	6	155	14	0	284	0	0	327	0	0	..	..	..	23	0	0
June	8	..	4	..	1	..	1,456	5,636	2	0	107	14	0	236	10	0	317	8	0	1	0	0	24	14	0
July	7	4	4	2	2	3	2,820	10,419	2	0	230	4	0	653	4	0	407	4	0	2	0	0	52	4	0
August	12	7	5	..	1	..	3,023	11,011	7	0	273	8	0	636	10	0	526	10	0	16	8	0	47	2	0
September ..	6	4	4	3	1	1	2,597	9,339	1	6	279	8	0	809	10	0	474	8	0	1	0	0	52	12	0
October	13	9	5	3	1	1	2,567	10,104	9	6	341	6	0	626	14	0	495	8	0	2	0	0	55	4	0
November ..	5	6	5	2	3	..	2,818	10,221	1	6	401	4	0	731	8	0	510	14	0	2	0	0	44	6	0
December ..	12	3	3	3	2	2	1,906	7,766	0	6	222	6	0	465	8	0	387	2	0	6	0	0	35	8	0
Total ..	95	51	47	26	17	15	28,316	1,07,080	12	0	3,113	4	0	6,628	10	0	5,225	0	0	74	0	0	529	14	0

No. 1—(*Continued*).

Statement showing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-sixth Year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1876—(Contd.)

Months.	9—(*Continued*).																									
	Amount of Fees credited to Government—(*Continued*).																									
	Fees received in Stamps on Interpleader Summonses.			Fees received in Stamps on account of Commissions from the Mofussil Courts for the examination of Witnesses.			Fees received in Stamps in Pauper Suits.			Fees received in Stamps on Copies of Judgment.			Stamps affixed to Powers of Attorney for drawing Money out of Court.			Fees received in Stamps for Notices upon Affidavits under Section 281 of Act VIII. of 1859.			Value of Stamp Papers or Value of Stamps affixed on Bail Bonds given on behalf of Defendants.			Total Gross Amount.			Amount of Half Costs refunded.		
1876.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
January ..	124	7	0	8	0	0	..	..	..	9	8	0	13	0	0	15	12	0	6	0	0	9,678	3	6	1,343	6	9
February ..	33	12	0	27	2	0	0	8	0	13	8	0	19	0	0	17	4	0	9	0	0	10,475	6	0	1,791	2	0
March ..	104	5	0	12	0	0	1	12	0	14	8	0	28	0	0	15	0	0	5	8	0	12,477	13	6	1,810	13	3
April ..	41	15	0	14	0	0	..	..	..	10	8	0	16	0	0	9	0	0	6	0	0	9,414	10	6	1,226	13	3
May ..	91	5	6	20	10	0	0	8	0	5	0	0	10	8	0	9	12	0	8	0	0	7,351	7	0	1,228	9	3
June ..	26	7	0	0	8	0	..	..	..	2	8	0	7	0	0	11	4	0	2	0	0	6,373	1	0	683	6	9
July ..	52	9	0	4	8	0	..	..	..	10	0	0	11	0	0	6	10	0	7	0	0	11,855	11	0	1,253	15	3
August ..	56	13	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	0	0	17	0	0	17	4	0	5	8	0	12,625	6	6	1,734	0	6
September ..	168	14	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	0	0	21	0	0	8	8	0	7	0	0	11,176	13	6	1,826	15	3
October ..	69	11	0	9	4	0	2	14	0	14	0	0	19	0	0	11	4	0	10	4	0	11,761	14	6	1,781	8	6
November ..	93	2	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	0	0	15	0	0	14	12	0	11	8	0	12,059	7	6	1,573	11	0
December ..	38	12	0	22	0	0	..	..	..	9	0	0	25	0	0	5	4	0	9	0	0	8,991	8	6	1,390	14	3
Total ..	902	1	0	118	0	0	5	10	0	134	8	0	201	8	0	141	10	0	86	12	0	1,24,241	7	0	17,645	4	0

No. 1—(*Continued*).

Statement containing the Statistics of the Madras Court of Small Causes for the Twenty-sixth Year of its institution, viz., from January to December 1876—(Continued).

Months.	9—(*Continued*). Amount of Fees credited to Government—(*Continued*) Net Amount carried to the credit of Government.			10 Amount of Fines.			11 Unclaimed Deposits for the year 1869.			12 Stamp Duty and Penalty levied.			13 Excess of Fees on Summonses, Second and Further Summonses, Subpœnas, and Warrants, &c.		
1876.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
January ..	8,334	12	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	8	0	1	10	0
February ..	8,684	4	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	21	0	0	1	4	0
March ..	10,667	0	3	..	..	..	273	0	11	29	1	0	1	2	0
April ..	8,187	13	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	2	0	1	2	0
May ..	6,122	13	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	6	0	1	9	0
June ..	5,689	10	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	8	0	0	14	0
July ..	10,601	11	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	45	9	0	2	1	6
August ..	10,891	6	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	14	0	0	14	0
September ..	9,349	14	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	49	2	0	3	8	6
October ..	9,980	6	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	12	0	1	12	0
November ..	10,485	12	6	30	0	0	..	..	..	127	8	0	1	9	0
December ..	7,600	10	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	8	0	2	0	0
Total ..	1,06,596	8	0	30	0	0	273	0	11	397	14	0	19	6	0

MEMORANDUM

During the year commencing 1st January and ending 31st December 1876 the Madras Court of Small Causes was closed on account of Sundays .. .. 53 days.
Good Friday, Her Majesty's Birthday, and Christmas Day .. .. 3 ,,
Hindu and other holidays scattered throughout the year and Saturdays during the adjournment .. .. 24 ,,
The Court sat .. .. 286 ,,
Total .. 366 ,,

During the adjournment one Judge sat every day (except Saturdays, Sundays, and authorized holidays), and disposed of a certain number of cases.

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
28th March 1877.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 2.

Comparative Table of Cases heard and decided from January to December 1875 *and from January to December* 1876.

—	January.		February.		March.		April.		May		June.		July.		August.		September.		October.		November.		December.		Total.	
	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.
Judgment for Plaintiffs.	1,866	2,380	1,439	1,605	1,446	1,636	1,320	1,212	559	785	932	793	1,631	1,569	1,318	1,580	1,210	1,397	1,185	1,359	1,188	1,281	138	371	14,232	15,918
Judgment for Defendants	99	92	85	84	85	75	77	76	37	47	52	31	64	64	55	85	50	55	48	51	32	44	6	14	690	718
Non-suit and struck off	462	514	331	336	319	358	326	328	166	243	208	195	280	271	262	345	207	263	202	224	159	192	18	38	2,940	3,307
Compromised.	926	1,297	795	779	790	913	682	682	259	460	498	442	952	885	796	967	718	778	708	673	640	723	79	183	7,843	8,802
Undecided ...	13	14	18	15	22	26	52	20	24	28	26	26	78	82	87	111	154	139	258	289	962	597	1,395	1,364	3,069	2,711
Total ...	3,366	4,297	2,668	2,819	2,662	3,008	2,457	2,318	1,045	1,513	1,716	1,487	3,005	2,871	2,518	3,108	2,339	2,632	2,401	2,596	2,981	2,837	1,636	1,970	28,794	31,456

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,
28th March 1877.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 3.

Statement showing the Number of Causes remaining undecided on 31*st December* 1876.

Number of causes postponed for want of service	.. ..		51
Do.	do.	for plaintiffs or defendants, or for parties' witnesses	 63
Do.	do.	for attendance of plaintiffs or defendants	 39
Do.	do.	at the request of plaintiffs or defendants, or for both parties	.. 48
Do.	do.	by order of Court	 346
			Total .. 547

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28th March 1877.

(Signed) J M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 4.

Comparative Statement of Commission and Fees realized in Stamps from January 1875 to December 1876, prepared in the Office of the Clerk of the Court

Months.	1875			1876			Total increase of Fees in 1876			Total Decrease of Fees in 1876			Remarks.
	Rs	A	P.	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs.	A	P	
January	8,096	2	9	8,334	12	9	238	10	0	..	..	..	
February	9,252	6	9	8,684	4	0	..	..	..	568	2	9	
March	9,326	7	3	10,667	0	3	1,340	9	0	..	..	..	
April	9,743	14	3	8,187	13	3	..	..	..	1,556	1	0	
May	4,166	12	3	6,122	13	9	1,956	1	6	..	..	..	
June	7,910	0	9	5,689	10	3	..	..	..	2,220	6	6	
July	11,131	10	9	10,601	11	9	..	..	..	529	15	0	
August	8,795	12	9	10,891	6	0	2,095	9	3	..	..	..	
September	7,857	4	0	9,349	14	3	1,492	10	3	..	..	..	
October	8,782	13	3	9,980	6	0	1,197	8	9	..	..	..	
November	9,778	14	3	10,485	12	6	706	14	3	..	..	..	
December	6,448	11	0	7,600	10	3	1,151	15	3	..	..	..	
Total ..	1,01,290	14	0	1,06,596	3	0	10,179	14	3	4,874	9	3	

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(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 5.

Abstract Statement of Sums received and paid to Plaintiffs, &c., on account of their Demands from January to December 1876.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A	P
In Cash .. .. .. Rs. 5,443-1-9													
In Government Securities .. „ 17,383-3-10													
To Balance Interest realized by the Bank on the Government Promissory Notes for Rs. 17,383-3-10 up to 31st December 1875 .. .. „ 4,611-10-10	..	..	..	27,438	0	5							
By Cash received on Causes decreed in January 1876 ..	9,360	3	6				To Cash paid to Plaintiffs, &c., for Causes decreed in January 1876 ..	8,658	6	1			
Do. do. February „ ..	11,917	10	4				Do. do. February „ ..	12,932	4	2			
Do. do. March „ ..	10,778	15	4				Do. do. March „ ..	10,040	14	8			
Do. do. April „ ..	7,727	2	9				Do. do. April „ ..	8,486	8	6			
Do. do. May „ ..	10,950	3	2				Do. do May „ ..	8,614	4	2			
Do. do. June „ ..	4,419	9	7				Do. do. June „ ..	3,846	0	8			
Do. do. July „ ..	8,730	7	3				Do. do July „ ..	7,793	2	9			
Do. do. August „ ..	10,392	3	7				Do. do. August „ ..	11,507	12	6			
Do. do. September „ ..	8,811	8	5				Do. do. September „ ..	9,352	0	9			
Do. do. October „ ..	15,014	6	5				Do. do. October „ ..	15,799	11	4			
Do. do. November „ ..	11,899	11	6				Do. do. November „ ..	11,600	6	9			
Do. do. December „ ..	8,659	0	8				Do do December „ ..	9,697	9	10			
				1,18,661	2	6					1,18,329	2	2
Interest realized by the Bank on the Government Promissory Notes for Rs. 17,383-3-10 from 1st January to 31st December 1876 ..	..	..	..	718	3	2	Balance ..	..	..	..	28,488	3	11
Total ..	..	..	..	1,46,817	6	1	Total ..	..	..	..	1,46,817	6	1

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28th March 1877.

(Signed) J M MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court

No. 6.

Abstract of the Particulars of Demand from January to December 1876.

Months.	Cloth sold and delivered.	Other Goods sold and delivered.	Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.	Wages.	Work and Labor.	Work and Labor and Materials.	For Money paid.	For Money lent.	For Money had and received	On Account stated.	For Use and Occupation.	On Judgment.	Guarantee.	Partnership Balance.	Other Actions in Assumpsit.	Trover.	Case.	Trespass.	Assault.	Damage.	Recovery of Small Tenements.	Ejectment.	Covenant.	Total.	Interpleader.	Against Executors and Representatives	Total.
1876.																											
January	122	579	638	26	30	3	33	178	10	291	177	9	14	..	94	48	..	..	2	7	..	21	10	2,292	12	7	2,311
February	155	567	682	24	22	6	31	194	10	254	179	13	23	..	127	68	..	..	2	8	..	15	14	2,394	11	2	2,407
March	170	775	761	40	39	2	52	196	13	265	222	7	26	1	97	78	..	1	2	13	..	17	10	2,788	20	6	2,814
April	120	475	674	37	25	4	40	153	44	226	185	36	13	7	76	55	..	3	3	4	..	23	6	2,209	16	6	2,231
May	73	330	397	21	9	1	28	130	2	151	153	5	10	..	76	33	..	1	..	5	..	15	6	1,446	16	3	1,465
June	74	343	426	25	14	..	45	147	5	136	128	2	15	..	32	47	..	..	1	7	..	7	2	1,456	8	2	1,466
July	149	759	844	38	29	3	35	204	6	290	216	8	21	..	138	51	..	..	1	6	..	22	..	2,820	18	2	2,840
August	173	812	807	42	32	3	51	212	8	302	299	8	31	2	123	77	..	..	..	9	..	24	8	3,028	14	9	3,046
September	213	586	709	36	22	2	76	216	8	229	213	10	18	..	123	87	..	..	1	13	..	27	8	2,597	12	4	2,613
October	173	590	686	26	26	2	65	189	22	252	258	7	16	4	119	82	..	1	1	14	..	26	8	2,567	15	4	2,586
November	225	622	846	37	25	5	67	217	7	286	269	4	22	5	95	50	..	..	1	9	..	14	12	2,818	21	8	2,847
December	139	453	558	19	20	..	28	157	7	172	166	7	18	..	89	39	..	..	..	7	..	19	8	1,906	11	4	1,921
Total ..	1,786	6,891	8,028	371	293	31	551	2,193	142	2,854	2,465	116	227	19	1,189	715	..	6	15	102	..	220	92	28,316	174	57	28,547

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 7.

Statement showing the Monthly Salaries of the three Judges and of the Establishment.

	RS.
First Judge	2,000
Two Judges on Rupees 1,000 each	2,000
Clerk and Assistant Clerk	800
Establishment	2,123
Total ..	6,923

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(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 8.

Statement showing the Number of Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes and the Amount of Fees realized thereon, including Fine and Unclaimed Deposits, during the Years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, *and* 1876, *together with the Progressive Increase and Decrease in each Year.*

Years.	Number of Causes instituted.	Increase of Causes in each Year.	Decrease of Causes in each Year.	Fees realized.			Increase of Fees in each Year.			Decrease of Fees in each Year.		
				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1851	23,668	..	..	37,417	7	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
1852	24,392	724	..	43,349	2	3	5,931	11	3	..	..	..
1853	25,192	800	..	46,479	10	0	3,130	7	9	..	..	..
1854	26,483	1,291	..	49,281	10	0	2,820	0	0	..	..	..
1855	26,199	..	284	51,754	12	0	2,473	2	0	..	..	..
1856	22,869	..	3,330	43,682	14	6	..	..	..	8,071	13	6
1857	17,674	..	5,190	36,909	10	6	..	..	..	6,773	4	0
1858	18,020	346	..	43,564	13	6	6,655	3	0	..	..	..
1859	18,374	354	..	54,600	2	0	11,035	4	6	..	..	..
1860	19,778	1,104	..	63,292	8	3	8,694	6	3	..	..	..
1861	23,054	3,276	..	91,048	1	6	27,753	9	3	..	..	..
1862	22,345	..	709	76,122	0	10	..	..	..	14,926	0	8
1863	19,940	..	2,405	69,364	6	10	..	..	..	6,757	10	0
1864	20,781	841	..	78,275	14	6	8,911	7	8	..	..	..
1865	20,375	..	406	80,693	6	2	2,417	7	8	..	..	..
1866	21,191	816	..	96,277	15	0	15,584	8	10	..	..	..
1867	19,004	..	2,187	91,467	13	11	..	..	..	4,810	1	1
1868	20,134	1,130	..	90,386	6	8	..	..	..	1,081	7	3
1869	20,674	540	..	85,886	14	11	..	..	..	4,499	7	9
1870	24,071	3,397	..	98,564	5	0	12,667	6	1	..	..	..
1871	24,784	713	..	97,508	14	5	..	..	..	1,055	6	7
1872	24,506	..	278	90,902	11	3	..	..	..	6,606	3	1
1873	26,209	1,703	..	1,05,029	4	8	14,125	9	5	..	..	..
1874	27,480	1,271	..	1,06,947	1	9	1,917	13	1	..	..	..
1875	26,389	..	1,091	1,01,749	3	1	..	..	..	5,197	14	8
1876	28,367	1,978	..	1,06,899	3	11	5,150	0	10	..	..	..

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28*th March* 1877.

(Signed) J. M. MASKELL,
Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

No. 9.

Statement showing the Number and Nature of Civil Suits instituted in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the Year 1876. (*Table No.* 2, *Appendix No. IIA, Judicial.*)

Nature of Claims.		Number of Cases.
Money due on contract ..	On written promise for sum certain	8,287
	On unwritten promise for sum certain	2,130
	On account stated	2,854
	Money paid or received	2,886
	For goods sold and delivered	8,677
Rent		2,465
Recovery of personal property or value thereof		715
Damages	For injuries to person	15
	For injuries to property	64
	For defamation	9
	For other injuries not included in the above	6
	For breach of contract not included in the above ..	29
Suits relating to mortgage of immovable property		6
Suits for, or relating to, the real property not included in the above		224
	Total ..	28,367

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No. 10.

Statement showing the Number and Value of Suits disposed in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the Year 1876. (*Table No* 3, *Appendix IIA, Judicial*)

—	Number	Value
		Rs A P
Not exceeding Rupees 5	9,853	27,756 3 1
Do do 20	11,004	1,18,385 2 11
Do do 100	6,262	2,65,279 4 0
Do. do 500	1,450	2,89,698 11 9
Do do 1,000	176	1,22,322 9 4
Total ..	28,745	8,23,441 15 1

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No. 11.

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Suits in the Madras Court of Small Causes in the Year 1876. (*Table No.* 4, *Appendix IIA, Judicial*)

Suits remaining from 1875.	Filed in 1876.	Received by Transfer	Total for Disposal.	Transferred to other Courts	Plaint rejected or returned	Uncontested: Dismissed for Default.	Uncontested: Withdrawn with Leave	Uncontested: Compromised.	Uncontested: Decreed on Confession	Uncontested: Judgment ex parte: Decreed ex parte.	Uncontested: Judgment ex parte: Dismissed ex parte	Contested: Judgment for Plaintiff.	Contested: Judgment for Defendant	Contested: Non-suit.	Disposed of	Pending	Pending: Over Two Months	Pending: Over Four Months	Pending: Over Twelve Months	Average Duration of Suits: Contested	Average Duration of Suits: Uncontested	Referred to Arbitration
Under Act V of 1866 3,079	28,316	.	31,395	...	...	2,831	2	6,790	2,290	10,486	34	3,102	717	438	28,690	2,705	2,332	289	84	47	16	104
10	51	.	61	..	..	.	2	12	..	39		1	1	..	55	6	2	2	2	.		
3,089	28,367	...	31,456	.	..	2,831	4	6,802	2,290	10,525	34	3,103	718	438	28,745	2,711	2,334	291	86	47	16	104

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No. 12.

Statement showing the Number of Suits pending in the Madras Court of Small Causes, classified according to the years in which they were instituted. (*Table No. 6, Appendix II A, Judicial.*)

Years in which instituted.						Total.	Remarks.
In 1871.	In 1872.	In 1873.	In 1874.	In 1875.	In 1876.		
Original.	Original.	Original.	Original.	Original.	Original.	Original.	
...	...	2	13	71	2,625	2,711	

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No. 13.

Statement showing Execution of Decrees in the Madras Court of Small Causes, classified according to the years in which they were instituted. (*Table No. 7, Appendix II A, Judicial.*)

Applications to execute Decrees.				Decrees.		Pending at the end of 1876.	Nature and Number of Coercive Processes issued.					Orders under Section 243 of the Civil Procedure Code.
							Imprisonment of Persons.	Movable Property.		Immovable Property.		
Pending from 1875.	Filed in 1876.	Received by Transfer.	Total for Disposal.	Completely executed.	Partly executed.			Attached.	Sold.	Attached.	Sold.	
852	9,349	...	10,201	8,647	357	1,197	515	752	410	...	...	...

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No. 14.

Statement showing the Operation of the new Distress Act (*No. I of* 1875) *during the Year* 1876.

Months.	Number of Applications filed.			Number of Warrants applied for and issued.	Amount of Rent claimed.			Money paid.						Amount realised by Sale.			Number of Warrants unexecuted.	Commission and Fees realized.		
								Before Distress.			After Distress.									
	Number of Applications admitted.	Number of Applications refused.	Total.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
January ...	3	...	3	2	48	0	0	10	8	0	18	8	0	...				1	0	0
February ..	5	...	5	1	177	14	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	1	3	0	0
March ...	3	.	3	3	66	0	0	...	...	...	4	12	0	..	..	..	...	4	4	0
April ...	3	...	3	2	113	0	0	37	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	0	0
May ...	2	.	2	1	56	8	6	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	..	1	4	0
June ...	5	...	5	4	136	0	0	...	...	...	21	12	0	..	...	...	..	6	12	0
July ...	1	...	1	1	25	0	0	25	12	0	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	12	0
August ...	7	1	8	7	187	8	0	20	0	0	31	0	0	..	...	...	.	2	0	0
September ..	4	..	4	4	240	5	0	155	0	0	..	...	...	59	7	8	...	15	8	0
October ..	5	..	5	5	302	14	0	.	...	...	5	3	0	84	13	3	1	20	12	0
November ...	8	.	8	7	167	2	0	...	...	...	21	12	0	22	10	10	...	15	4	0
December ...	3		3	2	155	4	0	...	...	...	...	...	.	21	13	0	...	9	8	0
Total ...	49	1	50	39	1,675	8	1	248	4	0	102	15	0	188	12	9	2	82	0	0

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No. 15.

Statement showing the Disposal of Applications for the Discharge in Cases of Arrest and Imprisonment in Execution of Decrees under Sections 273, 280, and 282 of Civil Procedure Code.

Year.	Average Sum decreed.			Average Sum for which any Coercive Process was issued.			Number of Persons arrested, and for what Average Sum.				Average Amount of Debt due by each Person imprisoned.			Average Term of Incarceration undergone by Parties discharged after Imprisonment.	Number of Arrested Persons brought before Court.	Number claiming Discharge under Section 273, Code of Civil Procedure.	Number discharged under Section 8, Amending Act XXIII of 1861.	Number of Applications for Discharge by Persons imprisoned, Section 280, C. C. P.	Number of Discharges ordered.	Number of Recommittals for Fraud.	Number of Persons absolved from further Liability, Section 282, C. C. P.
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	NO.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	DAYS.	NO.	NO.	NO.	NO.	NO.	NO.	NO.
1876	28	7	7	36	14	9	2,047	35	10	5	59	6	9	14	636	224	133	...	...	...	...

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Offg. Judge and Clerk of the Court.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Read Annual Report of the Judges of the Court of Small Causes, Madras :—

(Here enter 20th March 1877, No. 87.)

ORDER THEREON, 21st September 1877, No. 2,259.

The total number of suits filed in the Court of Small Causes, Madras, in 1876 was 28,316, or nearly 2,000 suits more than the number filed in 1875, and was the highest on record. The two next highest years are 1854 and 1873. A comparison of these years and the last three years is given in the margin. This result would seem to indicate that the practice of filing small suits in the High Courts is at last beginning to abate.

	No.
Suits filed in 1854	26,483
Do. in 1873	26,209
Do. in 1874	27,480
Do. in 1875	26,355
Do. in 1876	28,316

2. There were 3,079 suits standing over from 1875, and adding these to the 28,316 instituted in 1876, there were 31,395 suits in all for disposal ; but, as 1,027 suits of those instituted in the year were made returnable in 1877, the number of suits that stood for disposal in 1876 was 30,368, in addition to 61 stits for disposal under the Summary Procedure Bills of Exchange Act. Taking all suits and cases together the Court disposed of 25,932 causes, and left 2,627 undecided at the end of the year, the particulars of which are shown below :—

CAUSES DISPOSED OF.

FOR PLAINTIFF.		
Ex parte—		
Unheard	9,329	
Partly heard	250	
		9,579
Confession—		
Unheard	2,026	
Partly heard	59	
		2,085
Defended		2,651
By Arbitration		2
		14,317
FOR DEFENDANT.		
Defended	600	
By Arbitration	1	
		601
STRUCK OFF.		
Unheard	2,067	
Partly heard	329	
		2,396
COMPROMISED.		
Unheard	7,855	
Partly heard	160	
		8,015

WITHDRAWN.

Unheard	1	
Partly heard	3	
		4
Nonsuits		599
Total disposed of ..		25,932

UNDECIDED.

Adjourned to following year	527
Pending further summons	1,067
Returnable in 1877	1,033
	2,627
Add disposed of ..	25,932
Total ..	28,559

A very large proportion of the cases (11,664) were as usual disposed of *ex parte*, or on confession; 8,015 were compromised; 2,396 were struck off. Four cases were withdrawn, 2 disposed of on arbitration, and 599 nonsuited. Thus the suits actually contested were only 3,251 in number; and of these, 2,651 were decreed in favor of plaintiff, and 600 in favor of defendant. The Court also disposed of 174 interpleader suits and 3,615 motions, the particulars connected with which are noted below:—

INTERPLEADER SUITS.

Claim allowed	122
,, disallowed	46
,, partly allowed	6
	174

MOTIONS

Rule refused	18
,, granted	38
,, made absolute	28
,, discharged	6
For revival of judgment	1,483
Other motions	2,042
Total ..	3,615

3. Of the 28,316 causes instituted in the year under report, 25,055 causes were brought by Natives and 3,261 by Europeans. In the bulk of these causes the parties sued in person: in 1,675 causes only were the plaintiffs represented by Attorneys, Vakils or Agents; and in only 721 suits were the defendants similarly represented.

4. From Statement No. I appended to the report it appears that the amount in litigation in the suits instituted in 1876 was Rupees 8,30,729-6-8, which exceeded the amount in litigation in the previous year by Rupees 35,286-9-7, but fell short of that in the two years preceding 1875, as shown in the margin. The total income of the Court in fees received in 1876 was Rupees 1,24,241-7-0 as against Rupees 1,18,892 realized in 1875; but deducting Rupees 17,645-4-0, half costs refunded, the net amount carried to the credit of Government was Rupees 1,06,596-3-0 as against Rupees 1,01,290-11-0 in 1875. Some further small amounts were collected in fines, penalties, and stamps on further summons, but they do not call for remark.

	RS.	A.	P
1873	8,48,786	5	9
1874	8,44,951	14	0
1875	7,95,442	13	1
1876	8,30,729	6	8

5. The following statement shows the value of the suits instituted in the year :—

Value of Suits.	Number filed.
5 Rupees and less	9,691
10 do. do.	5,831
20 do. do.	5,016
50 do. do.	4,436
100 do. do.	1,756
200 do. do.	922
300 do. do.	260
400 do. do.	153
500 do. do.	95
1,000 do. do.	156
Total Number of Suits filed ..	28,316

6. From Statement No. 5 it appears that the Court had in hand and received in the year on account of causes decreed Rupees 1,46,817-6-1, of which Rupees 718-3-2 consisted of interest in Government-securities; and that it paid to parties Rupees 1,18,329-2-2, leaving a balance in deposit of Rupees 28,488-3-11.

7. Statement No. 14 shows that the Court admitted 49 applications out of 50 filed, for the issue of distress warrants for rents due under the operation of the Distress Act I of 1875. There were only eighteen such applications in the previous year of which the Court admitted sixteen. The amount of rent claimed in the 50 applications was Rupees 1,675-8-1, of which the sum of Rupees 248-4-0 was paid by the defendants before distress and Rupees 102-15-0 after distress was made. Warrants of distress were issued in 39 cases. The sum of Rupees 188-12-9 was realized by sale. Commission and fees amounted to Rupees 82. Two distress warrants remained unexecuted.

8. Statement No. 15 shows the action of the Court in applications for discharge from arrest under Sections 273, 280, and 282 of the Civil Procedure Code. The average sum decreed was Rupees 28-7-7, and the average sum for which any coercive process was issued was Rupees 36-14-9. The arrests were 2,047 for an average debt of Rupees 35-10-5, and of these 636 persons were brought before the Court; 224 persons claimed their discharge under Section 273 of the Procedure Code; and 133 persons were discharged accordingly under Section 8 of the Amending Act XXIII of 1861. There were no applications for discharge under Section 280, nor was any debtor absolved from further liability under Section 282 of the Code. There were also no recommittals for fraud. The average duration of incarceration which debtors underwent until discharge from imprisonment was 14 days.

9. In their letter to the Government of India, dated 16th November 1875, No. 2,394, this Government applied for sanction to extend certain sections of the Civil Procedure Code to the Court of Small Causes, Madras, with the view of extending its jurisdiction. The reasons for this proposal were fully explained in that letter; but pending reference to the Government of Bombay for certain information, the matter was allowed to lie over by the Government of India. It is now contemplated to improve by legislation the jurisdiction of the Presidency Small Cause Courts and so to prevent the flow of small suits into the High Courts; but, as the passing of the contemplated enactment may occupy some time, the Government are of opinion that it will be advantageous to apply at once to the Small Cause Court, Madras, certain sections of the new Civil Procedure, under the powers vested in them by Section 8 of the said new Code. The corresponding sections in the new Code to those in the present Code which this Government suggested for the consideration of the Government of India are hereunder given :—

G.O., 20th July 1876, No. 1,465.
From Government of India, 6th August 1877, No. 1,214, in G.O., 1st Sept. 1877, No. 2,097.

Sections of the present Code.	Sections of the new Code.	Nature of Provision.
5	16, 17	Prescribing jurisdiction and where suits are to be brought.
81 to 90	483 to 491	Of attachment of property before judgment.
97	373, 374	Withdrawal of suits.
102	365, 366	Substitution of legal representative of deceased plaintiff and continuance of suit.
103	367	Procedure in case of dispute.
104	368	Substitution of representative of one of several defendants
125, 126	117 to 120	Examination of parties.
151	160 to 162	Batta to witnesses.
*173	192	Examination of witnesses about to leave jurisdiction.
†175 to 182	383 to 395 397 to 400	Of commissions to examine witnesses, accounts, &c.
‡Sec 10, Act XXIII of 1861.	209	Interest to be ordered in the decree
189	206, para 3	Amendment of decree.
194	210, para 2	Payment by instalments.
206	257, 258	Payment of money under decree.
209	246 *	Cross decrees.
216, 217	248, 249	Notice to show cause why decree should not be executed
234, 236 to 242, 246, 248 to 254, 261, 262, 263, 265, 266, 267, 270 to 272	Ss 266 to 303	Of attachment and sale of property
284 to 298	223 to 243	Execution of decrees

* Extended already—G O, 18th July 1873, No. 1,128
† Do. „ 11th Oct. 1872, „ 1,360.
‡ Do „ 28th Feb. 1871, „ 226.

10. On the Judges of the Small Cause Court stating their opinion as to the advisability of extending these sections, with any others they may consider suitable, the Government will be prepared to take the necessary action by Notification in the Official Gazette.

11. Before forwarding the opinion of the Court, the Acting First Judge is requested to confer with the Hon. Mr. Justice Busteed, and to ascertain the views of Mr. Muttusami Iyer now temporarily absent from Madras.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Chief Secretary.